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## Renters' tax plan draws fire

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A proposal to license and tax rental property owners brought a quick response from opponents Tuesday at the Madison City Council meeting.

Alderman Norris Horton and Mayor John Bellicoff objected, with Bellicoff threatening to veto action on the proposal.

The licensing proposal was contained in two ordinances prepared by Corporate Counsel Mark Spengler. Both ordinances were tabled until after a meeting of the council's Legislative Committee next week. That meeting was set for 5:45 p.m. Jan. 25.

At Tuesday's meeting, several aldermen expressed surprise when the first ordinance was read.

The first ordinance — actually an amendment to the city's business licensing ordinance — would create a \$10 per room yearly licensing fee for hotels, sleeping rooms and similar arrangements. Failure to comply could result in fines of \$50-\$500 per day.

That ordinance was given first reading at Tuesday's meeting.

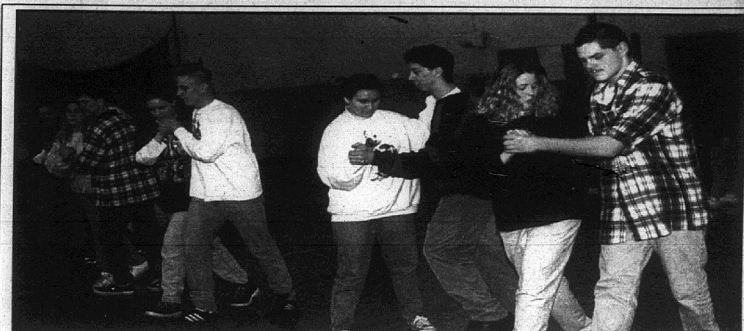
The second ordinance would establish a similar fee for residential properties such as apartments and houses.

The fee for those licenses was not disclosed.

Because Spengler was absent, City Attorney Casper Nighohossian read the first ordinance.

After he was finished, Alderman John Hamm asked: "What did we just do?"

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

In step — Granite City High School senior class members practice the fox trot during the last day of Senior Dance class. Pictured, from left, are Erin Tongay, James Wagner, Dana Ishman, Chris Mangiaracino, Angie Bridges and John Goodman. See Page 5A for more photos.

## Drainage project price jumps

Council to reconsider action on North Granite improvements

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Granite City officials were dismayed Tuesday when they learned that a drainage project in North Granite will cost about a million dollars.

Aldermen said they will discuss the matter further next week before deciding whether to move ahead or scrap the project.

The City Council had allocated \$600,000 for the project, designed to relieve stormwater flooding in the North Granite Neighborhood.

"I was under the impression this job was going to be ready to go by June 1, 1995," said 4th Ward Alderman Foster Frederick, who represents the North Granite neighborhood.

"We're a year late and about \$400,000 in the hole."

Phase I of the project, for which the city

allocated about \$300,000, was scheduled to begin last summer, but was delayed by design problems. Phase II, also projected to cost \$300,000, is to begin when the first step is completed.

The city recently received five bids for the first phase only, ranging from a low of about \$476,000 to a high of \$822,000.

Jimmy Stuart of Sherrill Associates, the project engineer, told the City Council's Street and Alley Committee Tuesday that the price of the total project will probably be in the neighborhood of \$1 million.

He attributed the increase to a recent increase in the price of pipe and worries of contractors bidding on the project about devaluing costs and working around utilities.

That prompted aldermen to reconsider the entire project.

"I definitely think the people need some

relief out there, but no one ever said \$1 million," Alderman Bob Page said.

Although the project is being paid for with CDBG funds, aldermen said other needed programs, like a citywide curb and gutter program, will have to suffer if the city continues with the drainage plan.

"We won't have money available for other projects," said Alderman Mac Warfield, chairman of the Street and Alley and Finance committees.

The city had initially asked Sherrill Associates to design a project to fit in the \$600,000 budget, Mayor Ron Selph said.

Ward 4 Alderman Nancy Sanders said the residents of North Granite have waited for the drainage project for years and that the city had delayed any road improvements in the neighborhood until drainage could be improved.

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## 400 expected at pro-life rally here

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

More than 400 Right to Life demonstrators are expected to visit Granite City this weekend in recognition of the 23rd anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision.

The Jan. 22, 1973, ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court gave women the legal right to have an abortion.

Mark Yehling of Granite City Right to Life said four buses have been chartered from Springfield and that pro-life groups from Alton, Glen Carbon, Edwardsville, Belleville and the St. Louis area are expected to participate in the demonstration here Saturday.

While protests here in early August were somewhat confrontational and resulted in

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## Bowles to lead effort on drainage problems

Legislation that would give Madison County residents the chance to vote on fees for countywide flood and storm water control projects will be pursued by State Sen. Evelyn Bowles.

The initiative was proposed to Bowles, D-Edwardsville, by the Metro East Regional Storm Water Committee, which is composed of 20 officials from Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties.

The group and associated technical committees have been examining storm water disposal problems since the 1993 flood.

"We have water problems in this area that need a lot

of attention, and the local drainage districts don't have enough tax base to even clean the ditches," Bowles said.

She said continued development has brought more drainage problems to light, citing recent problems in subdivisions in the Judy Creek area in Glen Carbon.

"We have to do something. Whether this is the bill to do it, I can't say yet," Bowles said.

She said final drafts of the bill are being printed and it should be formally introduced soon.

Bowles said the legislation also has support from the state Farm Bureau.



Evelyn Bowles

She said she had agreed to sponsor the legislation only if it included an up-front

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Plan 'illegal, retroactive'  
Madison urges bill's vetoBy Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

The Madison City Council Tuesday approved a resolution asking Gov. Jim Edgar not to approve what it called an "illegal, retroactive state law" that endangers a proposed \$75 million power plant.

If approved, the law's repeal could endanger the Metro East LLC project in Madison and the \$114 million Polsky project in Wood River.

The council is joining other cities, labor groups and businesses opposing the proposed repeal of parts of the retail rate law giving tax breaks for alternative energy production.

City officials also said they would be meeting with developer Michael Vris to see what else they can do to keep the energy plant project going.

Council members also expressed displeasure at local legislators who voted for the repeal.

Last week both houses of the Illinois

legislature passed bills repealing the part of the retail rate laws affecting trash to energy power plants.

The law subsidized alternative power producers for turning waste into electricity. It allowed utility companies to deduct the difference between the retail and wholesale power rates from tax bills for 20 years.

Environmentalists have argued that could add up to millions of dollars with no guaranteed pay back for the state.

The House voted 97-14 in favor of the bill, while the Senate voted 33-10, with 14 senators voting present and two not voting.

In the Senate, Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville, and James Clayborne, D-East St. Louis, voted against the proposal.

In the House, Rep. Steve Davis, D-Bethalto, and Wyvetter Young, D-East St. Louis, opposed the bill, while Tom Holbrook, D-Bellefonte, Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, and Ron Stephens,

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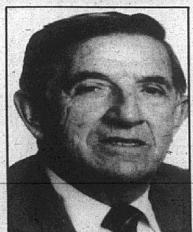
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## Faces

There is life after politics. At least, there is for Emerald Dawes of Granite City.

Dawes, 73, served as alderman in the 7th and 8th wards from 1967 until 1981; from 1987 through 1997, when he resigned the post to become city inspector for eight years; and from 1987 through 1991, when redistricting placed his home in a new ward.

Dawes, who also owned and operated a barber shop in the Belmore Village Shopping Center for more than 25 years, today serves as a volunteer at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he cuts hair for patients. He also cuts hair for nursing home residents and is a volunteer pallbearer for AARP.



Emerald Dawes

## Hagnauer, Saltich on delegate ballot

SPRINGFIELD — Several area residents are among those who have filed to be on the March 19 primary election ballot as delegates to the national presidential nominating conventions.

Area residents are among slates of delegate candidates filed for President Clinton in the Democratic primary and U.S. Sens. Robert Dole, R-Kansas, and Philip Gramm, R-Texas, in the Republican primary.

In the 12th Congressional District, the Clinton slate includes Madison County Board Chairman Nelson

Hagnauer of Granite City and Madison County Clerk Debbie Saltich of Granite City.

Former U.S. Attorney Frederick Hess of Belleville is on the Dole slate from the district.

In the 20th Congressional District, state Sen. Vince Demuzio, D-Carlinville, is on the Clinton slate, while Madison County Republican chairman Ed Ragsdale of Alton and former Jersey County State's Attorney Lee Plummer of Dow are on the Gramm slate.

Rep. Tom Ryder,

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## Residents question Madison TIF proposal

### Plan called 'long-term' benefit to city

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Madison residents raised several questions about the city's proposed tax increment financing district at a public hearing Tuesday evening.

Questions about the impact on businesses within the district, potential tax increases for residents outside the district and drainage were asked.

Alan Ortbals of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority, which was hired by the city to prepare the TIF, started the hearing with a short presentation on the proposal.

He called the plan "a way for local people to make something happen without going to the federal government with their hand out."

The city has proposed a TIF district for an approximately 600-acre area in the southeast part of the city.

In a TIF district, the amount of tax revenue received by taxing bodies is frozen. As improvements are made, the value of the property and the tax revenue it generates increases.

However, that increased tax revenue goes into a special fund that can only be used to make approved improvements in the district.

The district would encompass approximately 615 acres on both sides of the Cahokia Diversion Canal. It would include Gateway International Raceway and Gateway Truck Stop.

The raceway is seeking industrial revenue bonds to begin a \$20 million renovation of the facility.

Ortbals said when completed, the raceway would attract approximately 500,000 people per year and have an economic impact of about \$70 million.

He said construction of the first phase — a new drag strip — is expected to begin in March and be completed by August.

If it is completed on time, he said, the National Hot Rod Association has promised to hold a "major event" at the raceway in October.

Other potential developments discussed were hotels and golf courses.

After Ortbals' presentation, several residents had questions or comments about the district.

Resident Mike Kasten said the city would not benefit from the improvements because the property tax revenue would remain in the TIF district, and the city would only receive increased sales tax revenue.

Ortbals said the TIF plan was a "long-term" development.

"If you invest today, you would reap the benefits later," he said.

Ortbals also said the TIF could remain in place for up to 23 years, but could be ended sooner as long as there are no outstanding debts.

Mayor John Bellico responded by saying the city "as a whole will benefit immensely from this."

Kasten also asked if proposed improvements would increase taxes on other properties within the TIF district.

Ortbals said properties outside the district would not be affected, and only those in the district that were developed would have increased taxes.

He also noted that the assessed value of the property within the district has been steadily declining for the past five years.

Sandy Barzoff, whose family operates B's Auto Parts in the proposed district, questioned what the district would mean to the business.

"No Ramada Inn or Holiday Inn is going to go in next to a salvage yard," she said.

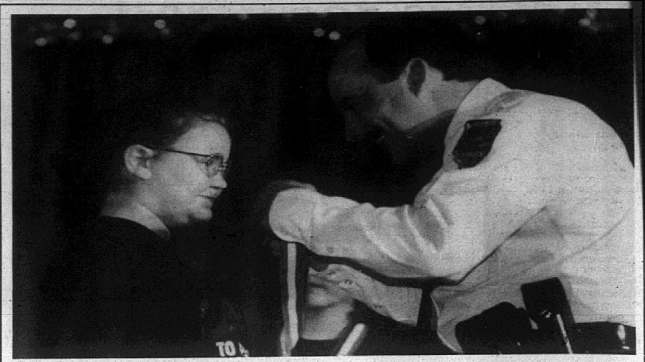
She was told those types of developments would probably go to another part of the district.

However, City Attorney Casper Nighghossian pointed out that the TIF allows cities to use the power of eminent domain to take property within the district for economic development.

He added that owners would receive fair market value for any property seized or damaged.

Others asked what effect development in that area would have on drainage throughout the town.

City officials said developers would have to take a "hard look" at that and would probably use some kind of retention system.



**Graduation** — Jaclyn Mothershed of Prather School receives a medallion for her essay, which won first place at Prather, from Granite City Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen during DARE graduation ceremonies Wednesday. Below left, officer Mike Sparks speaks to the school district's sixth graders at the graduation. Below right, Gloria Rider reads the essay she wrote for DARE graduation. At bottom, officers Phil Popmarkoff and Mike Sparks and Mayor Ron Selph listen as Worthen School essay winner Sarah Dettwiler reads her essay.



## Jailer charged with battery

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A Madison County Sheriff's Department jailer was charged with domestic battery Tuesday following an incident in Venice.

Ronald L. Middleton, 44, of the 3900 block of East Madison, was released on \$107 cash bond after turning himself in to the Venice police department.

Police said Middleton is a jailer with the Madison County

Sheriff's Department.

According to police reports, at about 11:35 a.m. police were dispatched to the Venice Lincoln Technical Center after a woman reported being assaulted.

The victim, a Venice woman, said she was picking up a toy for her son when Middleton allegedly told her to "get to his house."

The victim said she drove away, and Middleton followed in his own car and tried to run her off the road several times. She eventually stopped at a

friend's house on Oriole Street.

Middleton then allegedly called her on a telephone and said he wanted to talk to her.

She then came out of the house and got into his car.

She said as they were traveling, Middleton tried to strike her, and when she said she wanted to get out of the car, said she he had to give him all of her jewelry.

She refused, and Middleton reportedly took her purse and then forced her to give him several items of jewelry.

The officer reported that she had cuts and marks on her neck, legs and arms. Middleton later turned himself in.

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As part of our monthly "Best Bet" feature, where we seek the best of a particular category, we're asking readers of the *Granite City Press-Record* and *Granite City Journal* to vote for their favorite secretary.

Nominations for Best Bet can come from any community in the Granite City coverage area, including Madison, Venice, Pontoon Beach, Mitchell and Brooklynn.

To vote, call 344-2340 before 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24. You will be asked to leave a recorded vote.

Please include the name of the person you think is the best secretary, as well as where he or she works. After you've voted, hang up and your vote will be recorded.

The winner will be announced in the Feb. 1 edition of the *Press-Record*.

So if you know a secretary who always reminds the boss about his or her anniversary or spouse's birthday, who knows how to keep the boss looking good and manages to keep the wolves from the door, we want to hear about it.

In last month's Best Bet contest, for best kindergarten teacher, Lee Ann Kincy of Prather Elementary School took top honors.

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# Stickers required for utility activation

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

All residents of Granite City must be issued a sticker by the city's inspection department before gas and electrical utilities will be turned on at their home.

The City Council voted 11-3 Tuesday night to adopt an amendment to the city's municipal code requiring occupancy certificates prior to the connection of utilities.

The amendment makes it illegal for any homeowner to occupy his or her single-family dwelling until a certificate has been issued and signed by the building inspector. There is no fee for the certificate and inspections will not be required to obtain one.

The amendment applies only to new occupants. Residents will not be required to obtain a certificate on their current address unless significant electrical work, requiring an inspection, is performed.

Until now, occupancy certificates have been required for commercial buildings, rental housing and multiple family units only. Those certificates will continue to be issued only after a \$25 fee is paid and an inspection is performed.

The certificates will consist of a sticker placed on the electrical can serving the housing unit. Under the amendment, no utility company may activate service unless a sticker is signed and placed on the can.

The amendment was necessitated by a new Illinois Power policy that took effect Jan. 2.

Under the new rules, IP gave cities the option of requiring a sticker prior to utility connection or not requiring a sticker.

When cities require stickers, the utility company informs the inspection department when a request to activate utilities is made. If cities choose not to participate in the program, IP workers will activate utilities upon the customer's request — without notifying the inspection department.

While Granite City officials did not want to add the certificate requirement for owner-occupied homes, the change was needed to continue inspections on rental housing units, city officials said, because IP workers have no way to determine if the house is occupied by its owner.

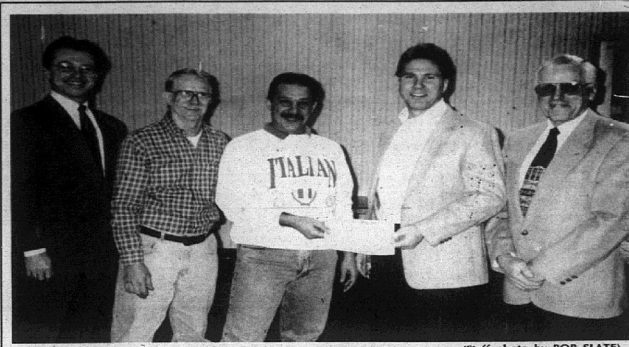
Without the sticker program, the city would not know when occupancy changes on rental units, Building Inspector Glen Hollis said.

Hollis said the inspections are performed to ensure safe conditions.

Aldermen Bob Page, Foster Frederick and Lurton Pulley voted against the amendment. Page — a landlord himself — has said that the inspection program penalizes those who abide by the rules. He said that landlords can have utilities placed in their own name, circumventing the inspection process and avoiding the fee.

Hollis said the amendment will necessitate upgrading a part-time employee in the inspection department to full-time.

The amendment will be taken effect 10 days after publication.



(Staff photo by BOB SLATE)

**Challenge** — The Italian-American Club in Granite City recently donated \$250 to the Tri-City Area YMCA and issued a challenge. Club President John Greco said that his club would match another organization's donation up to \$250. Pictured from left are John Papa, YMCA Board secretary; George Hlava, chairman of the Italian-American Club Bingo Committee; Greco; YMCA Executive Director Rich Wittman; and YMCA Board President Joe Hassler.

## City agrees to pay engineering bill

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

An engineering firm hired to alleviate gasoline contamination at the main fire station in Granite City will soon be receiving a check from the city.

The City Council voted unanimously Tuesday night to pay a bill from Schreiber Grana & Yonley Inc., the engineering firm handling the contamination issue for the city.

Last month, the council voted to withhold payment of a bill of more than \$2,000 because of questions about the service the firm is performing.

A report from SGV indicates a gauge was not working at the time of its most recent quarterly testing at the fire station. Alderman Craig Tarpoif had requested non-payment of the bill due to the malfunction.

But Joe Juneau of Juneau Associates, the city's contractual engineer, said Tuesday that a review of the bill and the city's contract with SGV showed that the city will not be paying for any services not done.

"Yes, they did have a piece of equipment that malfunctioned. But they didn't bill the city for that particular function, which wasn't required for quarterly monitoring," Juneau said.

The city removed four gasoline storage tanks from the property in 1992. Cleanup of contaminated soil appeared to be 90 percent complete in 1993, but chemical levels inexplicably began to increase rather than abate. Gasoline levels in three of the six monitoring wells on the property continue to be well above Illinois Environmental Protection Agency standards and contamination appears to be spreading off-site.

Since the "new" contamination has been discovered, the city has discontinued its remediation program and has been paying SGV only to monitor groundwater on a quarterly basis. The city has spent more than \$500,000 on the cleanup so far, but an environmental consultant told the aldermen last month that a new approach should be taken.

The city hopes to recoup most of the costs associated with the cleanup from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Fund.

## Robert Sims is released

Robert Sims has been released on bond after being arrested last week on charges of tampering with mobile home registration plates.

Sims, 33, the ex-husband of convicted baby killer Paula Sims, was arrested Jan. 9 on charges he tampered with registration plates on mobile homes in parks in Glen Carbon and Pontoon Beach.

Sims, an employee of the parks' management, posted \$3,000 bond and was released last Thursday.

Sims is the fourth employee to be charged in what county prosecutors allege is a fraud case involving residents of the parks.

Park owner Ed Zeman of Chicago and Elaine Holmes of Granite City, who sold and sublet homes at the parks, are facing multiple charges stemming from an investigation by Secretary of State Police of improper title transfers at the parks.

Officials began investigating the title transfers after residents of the Pontoon Beach park complained that they thought they had bought the homes, but were never given titles or given titles with conflicting registration numbers.

## Haine gets more office space

One of Madison County State's Attorney William Haine's wishes for the new year apparently will come true.

A reshuffle of offices approved by the County Board's Buildings Committee Tuesday will allow his office to expand into adjacent space on the fourth floor of the county's Administration Building.

"It's great news," Haine said. "It's just what we need. It doesn't give us any excess space, but it's sufficient to relieve the overcrowding."

The state's attorney's office will take over space now occupied by the county 911 office, which will move to what is now the county personnel office on the first floor. The personnel office will move to space on the first floor now used by a DUI grant program that may be discontinued.

The committee had considered moving the 911 office into a smoking room in the basement of the building, but Building Administrator Marty Siglock said that room was only slightly larger than the present 911 office.

"I did need more space," 911 Coordinator David Whipple said. "I've got boxes stacked on boxes and items stored at two other locations in the building."

Committee Chairman Herbert Milton Jr. did not support the changes. He said Haine has "too many lawyers."

"It's foolish to give up these things to try to satisfy everybody," Milton said. "You can't do it anyway."

Haine said he probably will use the added space for a reception area and the office's victim and witness assistance program, freeing up the present reception area for other use.

"The office was designed for a state's attorney's office as it existed in 1988," he said. "My predecessor had more part-time lawyers and fewer full-time lawyers. We have had dramatic increases in caseload and services."

Haine said the office has been cramped since moving into the new building in 1992, but the staff size has not significantly increased.

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## THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED  
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Often when people begin a new business venture, they wonder whether they should incorporate. One advantage to incorporating is that the business owners are provided with limited liability. This means that if someone is injured on the property, the victim can only pursue the corporate assets and not the business owner's personal assets.

It is important to note that if an individual incorporates, he or she needs to start "acting like a corporation" from the outset. For instance, the stationery should reflect the corporate status. Business cards should indicate the corporate name, and the checking accounts should also reflect the corporate name. All loans should be signed by a corporate officer in his official capacity and insurance should be procured in the corporate name. Failure to follow these steps could procure personal liability in the event a person is injured on the business property. A recent case will help illustrate the problems associated with the failure to "act like a corporation."

In one recent case, two individuals began a new business venture with the opening of a health club facility. For the first year of their existence, they operated as a sole proprietorship. Eventually they

desired to incorporate because they wanted to have limited liability in the event of an injury on the premises. However, after they incorporated, they still held themselves out to the public as a sole proprietorship. The stationery was not changed, the business cards still reflected the sole proprietorship, and no insurance was procured in the corporate name.

Approximately six months after the owners incorporated, an individual sustained a serious injury while using the club's equipment. A bench broke while the individual was lifting weights, and he sustained a life-changing injury. He filed suit against the club in its corporate capacity and against the owners individually.

The judge ruled that the business had failed to hold itself out as a corporation. Special emphasis was put on the fact that the owners never bothered to procure insurance in the corporate name. The lesson to be learned here is that business owners are running a risk if they do not act in a corporate capacity and obtain insurance in the corporate name.

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# Humdrum looks good to her now

With the madcap gaiety of the holidays now history, a lot of us may be reluctant to return to the humdrum daily grind. Don't count me in the crowd, right now the humdrum looks pretty good to me. Sure, there was fun and some good parties and get-togethers, but I can't honestly say it was madcap. No dancing the Charleston on a table top with a lamp shade on my head, that sort of thing. Just restrained gaiety; is there is such a thing.

Tell the truth, it's nice to have the tree down, the ornaments stashed away for another year. Refreshing to renew the diet I should never have left. I don't even mind the visions of IRS forms dancing in my head. And simply marvelous, dahling, to know that I unless I choose to do so, I won't be mauled in a mall.

Let's face it, I'm totally unable to shop until I drop and if I could, I wouldn't. I consider malls to be, if not hell, certainly purgatory. My idea of a heavenly shopping trip is one where I'm able to go into ONE store, immediately find whatever I need, in the right color and size and in my price range, buy it and get the hell out. Doesn't happen often, but when it does, my day is made. In spades.

Thus I was less than impressed with a post-holiday TV commercial touting a huge, not-to-be-missed furniture sale in a St. Louis area store in which it was guaranteed that the happy shopper would find exactly what he was seeking because the store covered three and a half acres, could imagine myself in THAT joint, wandering lost and aimlessly, gibbering incoherently until the fellows in the white coats arrived with the straight jacket.

Feeling as I do about shopping in general (and TV commercials in particular) I rarely glance at some of the new items on the market, usually displayed on racks in the middle of department store aisles. However, a young woman friend paid me heed than I would have done to one such display, while doing her Christmas shopping, and found a prize indeed.

The lady in question has a chronic problem with an aching neck and the item she purchased was recently



Carol Clarkin

developed for relief of such pain, simple in design and selling for a mere \$15. She bought it, took it home and tried it, and it worked. The design, as noted, was simple. Covered with some type of flexible material and containing Lord-knows-what, one simply puts it in the microwave for three minutes. When removed it has become somewhat moist and is then bent around the neck and, voila!, instant relief!

About the third time she used the little marvel, she noticed a smell emanating from the interior of the gadget, sniffed a couple of times and decided it smelled like rice.

Since she didn't want to risk ruining her purchase in case she was wrong about the contents, she checked the cupboard and found an ample supply of rice, took one of her small son's new white tube socks, poured it full of rice, knotted the open end of the sock and stuck it in the microwave. Guess what? When removed, it too came out somewhat moist and, when wrapped around the nape of her neck, provided the same blessed relief!

She has since filled several such tube socks with rice as gifts for friends who share her rice neck problem, at an estimated cost of \$2.50 each. True, a knotted white tube sock filled with rice doesn't have quite the aesthetic appearance as the fifteen-buck job (nor does it have quite the hold it in place) but it works.

Personally, I view her discovery not only as a boon to entrepreneurs who over the years have hit the jackpot by sucking countless shoppers with simple items anyone could have rigged up at home. To its inventor's (if that's the proper designation?) credit, at least this one serves some useful purpose. Unlike pet rocks and hula hoops.

## Belated criticism on tax

(The following editorial is reprinted from the Alton Telegraph.)

On County officials' criticism of a new Edwardsville city utility tax may be arguable, but the real question is, why are they so tardy in raising their complaint?

The city imposed a 3.5 percent tax on all utility bills to customers within the city limits. No one was exempt; not individuals, not businesses, not schools, not county government.

Along with a small administration fee charged by Illinois Power for collection of the fee, the new tax is expected to cost the county about \$6,000.

At a recent meeting of a County Board committee, members objected to the tax being imposed on county utility bills. Board member Tony Bosich of Wood River argued that county buildings belong "to all the people of the county."

Fellow board member Jack Frandsen of Alhambra agreed and suggested that the utility tax was poor thanks for the contributions county government operations make to the city's economy.

These points may be debatable, but one must certainly wonder why county officials have waited until after the fact to question the tax, which has been widely discussed and highly publicized.

Elected officials are often quick to brush off public complaints as just a symptom of public apathy. Perhaps county officials' chagrin over the tax reflects official apathy of a similar sort.

Edwardsville School District, of course, unworriedly officials, are content to pay the tax — an estimated \$15,000-a-year tab — acknowledging that they're among the biggest users of city services.

Although no exemptions were allowed in the law, Edwardsville Mayor Gary Niebur tactfully says he'd be happy to discuss the tax with county officials to protect the city's "excellent relationship with the county."

If such discussions are held, county officials ought to approach the table with hat in hand, since they were clearly remiss in not raising concerns about the tax earlier.

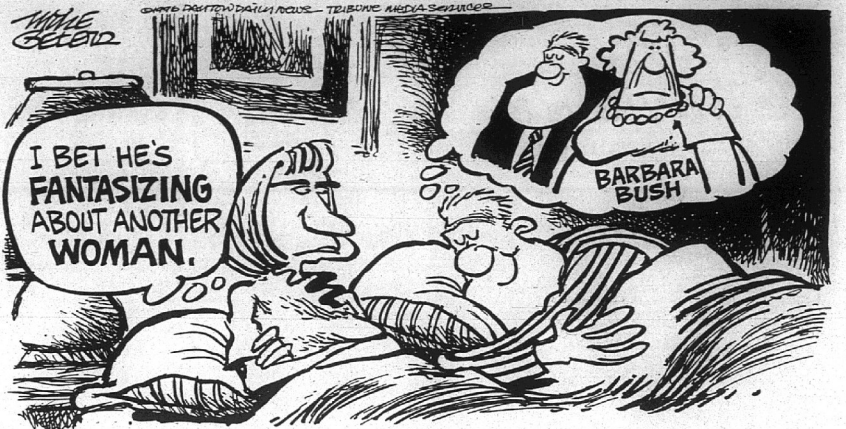
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Each letter must be signed and include the telephone number and address of the author. Only letters that will be printed, but authors may be called for verification purposes.

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## Letters to the editor

### Integrity comes under question

TO THE EDITOR:

I, as a concerned citizen of Ponton Beach, wish to question the integrity of our current politicians, the mayor, the board and the police chief, Mike Crouch.

In my opinion, it seems since the last election, there has been more controversy and discord among the politicians and the police department with unprofessional behavior.

The article of Oct. 15, 1995, by Scott Cousins told the story just as it is. The lack of cooperation and unprofessional attitude of our local politicians needs to stop. People of Ponton Beach please. Meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the City Hall on Illinois 111, and we all need to attend.

Let's start 1996 by showing our displeasure with the bad behavior exhibited by our local politicians.

Remember, united we stand, divided we fall.

I prefer my name not be used; however, if it is an absolute must, you may use:

GERRI GIBSON  
Ponton Beach

### Student seeks information

TO THE EDITOR:

My name is Kyle Green and I am in sixth grade at Summit Elementary School in Sedro-Woolley, Wash.

In social studies, we are learning about the United States and Canada.

We would appreciate it if you could send us postcards and information about your area.

Would you please print this letter in the next edition of your paper?

Thank you.

I am looking forward to getting mail from your readers.

The address is 2195 Prairie Road, Sedro-Woolley, Wash. 98224.

KYLE GREEN  
Sedro-Woolley, Wash.

### Real estate taxes too high

TO THE EDITOR:

I have lived and worked in Madison County for the past 50 years. We have owned and paid real estate taxes on a home for the past 35 years with no complaints.

Now, with our house paid off and our children through college, married with their own homes and family, I have retired.

I was making \$2,000 a year (low) to \$40,000 a year (high), during my working years. We paid our real estate tax.

Now we are retired and the wife and I bring in \$1,200 Social Security, \$450 a month from a retirement fund, plus a very small savings account that we dip into once a year to pay our real estate tax.

That now runs \$200 a month to live in our own home that took us 25 years to pay off.

It seems to me with all the new homes and a very large increase in population in Madison County plus gambling boats, they could have a 50 percent real estate tax cut for people over 65 on a fixed income.

That would not be asking for a free ride like a lot of people are receiving on our tax dollar.

But, sorry to say, our county is run like the federal government; one very large, new administration building with first-class trimmings and with enough employees to be a voting block.

The city of Troy enlarged and refurbished the city hall plus is adding a large parking lot but still does not have sidewalks in 70 percent of the old parts of the town.

But, what makes me mad is when you call the County Treasurer's office at 2 p.m. on a weekday and the answering machine tells you that they are open five days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. only to find out after three calls that the whole office staff is on a coffee break.

Looking for help from the silent majority to do something about high real estate taxes.

DALE JUEHNE  
Troy

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TO THE EDITOR:

Our families enjoyed the Christmas season thanks to the generosity of caring individuals who took the time to reach out and give of themselves at this special time of the year.

I am overwhelmed at the thoughtfulness of the community, who supported the efforts of businesses to make Christmas a happy time for children.

Thanks to these businesses and groups for their gifts of time, toys and Christmas gifts: ADP and Pam Payne, Belleville Downtown Optimist Club, Boatmen's Bank and Debra Cowan, Collinsville Optimist Club and Mary Ann Weigel, Family Hospice of Belleville, Mercantile Bank and Diana and Conla, Northwest Financial in Fairview Heights, Olsten Kimberly QualityCare and Judy.

I also want to thank the community for their generous support of Big Brothers/Sisters of Northwestern Illinois throughout the year.

On behalf of the board of directors and staff, best wishes for the New Year.

BARBARA CEMPURA  
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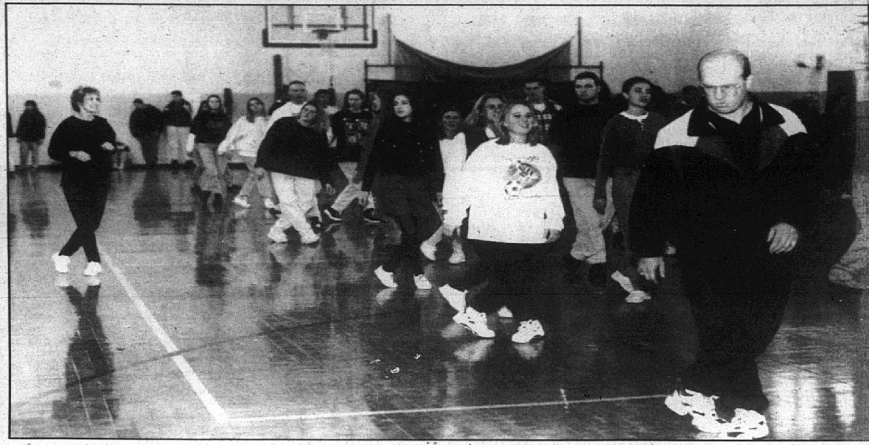
# People

## Dancing the day away

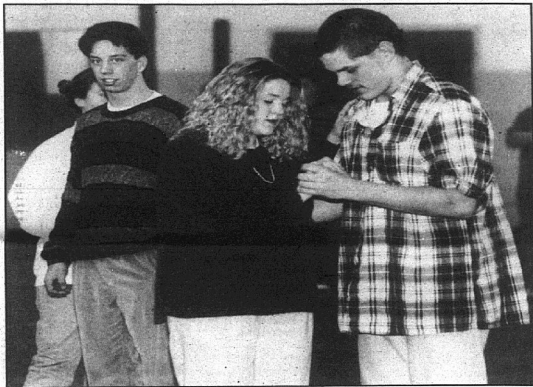
GCHS students complete senior dance class



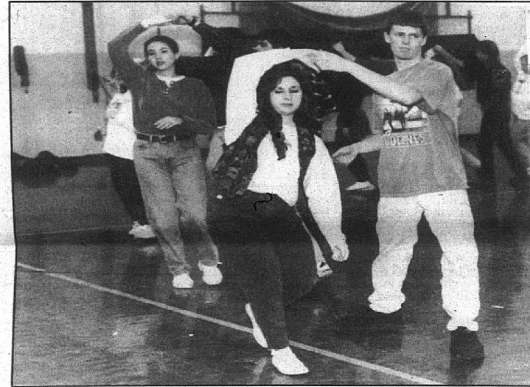
Instructor Terry Papa watches as the students run through their steps.



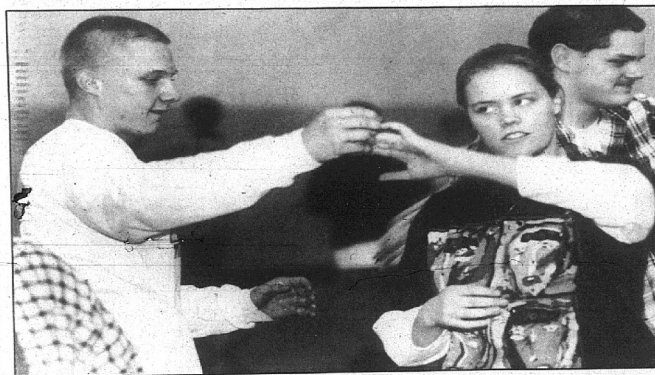
Granite City High School seniors do a line dance in the senior dance class taught by Terry Papa, far left, and Darren DePew, far right. The class is required of all seniors at the high school.



At left, Chris Mangiaracino watches as Angie Bridges and John Goodman practice a waltz in the senior dance class. At right, Jamie Dellbringer, Kelly Ridgeway and Joe Bukovac practice twirling while learning to square dance in the dance class.



(Staff photos  
by JOHN FRESE)



James Wagner and Erin Tongay practice a waltz.

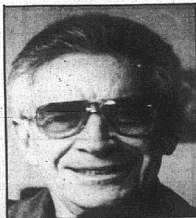


Leslie Cicio and Tim Harris do the jitterbug.

### THE VOICE BOX:

Time Magazine chose Newt Gingrich for the "Man of the Year." Who would be your choice?

By SHIRLEY VALENCIA



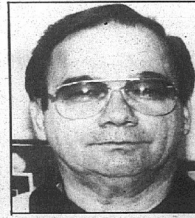
**John Gagich** Granite City  
"Tom Osborne, coach at the University of Nebraska. That football team has won two NCAA college national championships back to back."



**Virginia Jenkins** Granite City  
"Colin Powell. He resisted the temptation to run for office, because he knew he wasn't really ready."



**Shirley Morrison** Granite City  
"Norman Schwartzkopf, great military man that definitely cares about what becomes of his troops."



**Milt Olmsted** Granite City  
"Capt. Scott O'Grady. To me, he showed what an American with spirit and dedication is all about. He is to be commended. He never gave up."



**Harold Gene Briggs** Granite City  
"Nellie Hagnauer. He does a lot for Madison County; also for the elected officeholders in the county. He does a lot of work in Washington for all of us back home. He has tremendous rapport with the people in Washington."



## News in review

News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record/Journals.

## Contamination halts project

The city of Granite City may have been railroaded into assuming ownership of contaminated property near the Jennison-Wright cleanup site.

The contamination, which includes old railroad ties and "dirty" soil, was discovered Dec. 15 by employees of C.D. Peters Construction Co. while doing preliminary excavation on a road construction project for the city. The contamination is located on property the Norfolk and Southern Railroad is scheduled to give to the city under an order from the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Bill Baudendistel of Juneau Associates, the city's contractual engineer, said the Peralloy Access Road construction project has been temporarily placed on hold, but that "everybody involved wants to see the project move along."

## 2 legislators support plants

The state has an ethical and moral obligation to continue support for trash-to-energy plants already constructed or approved, two local legislators said Saturday.

State Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville, and Rep. Steve Davis, D-Bethalto, said they would support a bill to use an amendatory veto power to modify the repeal of the retail rate law that allows tax incentives for those plants.

Last week, both houses of the Illinois legislature passed bills repealing the part of the retail rate laws affecting trash to energy power plants.

The law provides for subsidization for alternative power producers for turning waste into electricity.

If approved, the law's repeal would effectively kill the \$75 million Metro East LLC and the \$114 million Polsky projects in Wood River.

## Incident sparks controversy

The wife of a Pontoon Beach police captain has asked to meet with village officials about complaints filed by her daughter against Detective Rick Hayes.

The daughter had filed a report with the Granite City police department alleging that Hayes held her against her will in an unmarked police vehicle in a convenience store parking lot. Pat Denham, the wife of Capt. Jim Denham, said that since the complaint was filed it has been ignored, and that village officials have threatened her husband's job.

Since that time, the Madison County State's Attorney's office has declined to act, saying it was an "internal matter" and the Granite City police department has turned the incident over to the Illinois State Police.

## All-day kindergarten possible

The cost of a full-day kindergarten program for the Madison School District would probably be offset by increased state funding, according to district officials.

At Thursday's school board meeting, Superintendent Gary Allison said the district is looking at implementing a full day program at the start of the next school year.

"Full-day kindergarten has proven to be beneficial for almost all children," he said. "This is especially true for children from single parent and/or low income families. Of course, our districts serves quite a few of those children."

"I personally advocate for full-day, early intervention extended day, extended year, in fact any program that will allow us to provide an enriched environment for our children for a longer period of time," he said. "While some of those are dreams, full-day kindergarten could be a reality."

## Sims implicated in title probe

The investigation of title transfer violations by the owner of the Village Green Mobile Home Park in Pontoon Beach has widened to include a Glen Carbon park, and resulted in the arrest of Robert E. Sims.

Sims — 43, of Glen Carbon — is the ex-husband of convicted child-killer Paula Sims.

Since Robert Sims was charged Tuesday, interest in the case has "blossomed," said Assistant Madison County State's Attorney Kyle Skjerseth, who is handling the case.

Paula Sims was convicted of murdering the couple's six-week old daughter, Heather, and pleaded guilty to lesser charges in the death of her other daughter, Lorelei, several years earlier. In both cases she claimed strangers took the children, who were later found dead.

The latest charges bring the total number of people charged in the mobile home case to four: Sims, owner Edwin Zeman of Chicago, Elaine Holmes of Granite City, and Elizabeth Couch of Edwardsville.

On Dec. 7, a Madison County grand jury indicted mobile home park owner Zeman on nine counts: six counts of unlawful possession of a certificate of title without complete assignment, and one count each of unlawful removal of a manufacturer's identification number, unlawful possession of a secretary of state's assignment plate, and failure to keep adequate records.

## Conference focuses on gambling

The sixth annual Regional Clergy Conference on Addictions, set for Feb. 15 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, will feature a program on compulsive gambling and how it affects individuals and families.

The conference is for anyone involved in the ministry of the church: ministers, religious instructors, lay leaders, youth ministers, Christian counselors, treatment providers, and pastoral care ministers.

The featured presenter for the program will be Rande McGraw, a nationally certified gambling and addiction counselor. He is also coordinator of clinical services at the Illinois Institute for Addiction Recovery at Proctor Hospital in Peoria.

McGraw has been in the

**Attention**  
Someone is poisoning glass and anti-freeze in road killing neighborhood animals in the 2400 block of Missouri Ave., Granite City

## •Bowles

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referendum for county voters on whether to impose new fees on property owners to implement storm water management plans.

The proposed bill would apply to Madison, St. Clair and Monroe counties and allow the respective county boards in each to place a referendum on the ballot for a fee on property owners at a base level of funding not to exceed .05 percent of equalized assessed valuation.

The referendum could also propose additional fees for capital improvements, such as retention basins and drainage ditches, with the total not to exceed 2 percent of assessed valuation.

The bill also provides that if any municipality or drainage district in the county formally protested the adoption of a plan, a two-thirds approval by voters countywide would be needed for the new fees.

The fees would be based on square feet of impervious surface, so owners of buildings with flat roofs or parking lots that drain onto others' property would pay more.

"It would be comparable to an additional tax, and that's regrettable, but it really needs to be done," said George Arnold of Edwardsville, a retired SIUE professor and environmental activist who has attended the storm water group's meetings.

"We've had these flooding problems for years and years and nobody has taken a systematic approach to dealing with it until now," Arnold said.

He said he was pleased by the regional cooperation displayed by the three counties, as well as participation of various state and federal agencies.

"The big problem will be convincing people on top of the efforts they need to be concerned about the drainage problems in the bottoms," Arnold said.

However, he said he thought there was a good chance of passing a referendum in Madison County because of the flooding in 1993 and the other storm water control problems in various parts of the county in recent years.

The legislation proposes establishing a storm water planning committee with local members appointing the county board and two chosen by local mayors from their ranks.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## •Veto

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R-Troy, voted in favor.

A spokesman for Edgar said the governor has not made a decision on the bill as of Wednesday morning.

Edgar spokesman Eric Robbins said the governor's staff was reviewing the law and has been receiving a large number of calls, letters and faxes from both sides.

City Attorney Casper Nighossian said Vrtis had planned to attend Tuesday's meeting and address the council, but was delayed by weather in his hometown of St. Louis.

Nighossian said Vrtis told him he was going ahead with plans for the project, and has submitted an air permit application with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

Environmental groups targeted the law's repeal to eliminate an incentive they believed promoted the potential for pollution from plants.

The Illinois Environmental Coalition, which has lobbied for the repeal of the incentives, contending incinerators are potential toxic air polluters, estimated that if all the proposed projects went forward, the state could lose up to \$10 billion in tax revenues in the next 20 years.

Repeat opponents said repealing the law would spur massive lawsuits from developers and investors, could damage the state's bond rating and sent the wrong message to business.

## Funeral summary

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

**BROWN, Mercedes A.** (Wheaton, Ill.) died at 8:40 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, 1996, in the Alzheimer's Unit at the Eden Retirement Center, Edwardsville. Services were Monday at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church, St. Louis.

**Rev. Althoff, Burial in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County.** Arrangements by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to Eden Retirement Alzheimer's Center, 400 S. Station Road, Glen Carbon, Ill., 62034.

**BUSH, Marilyn M. (Scafe),** 62, of Madison, formerly of Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., died at 1:40 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Tuesday at Fugua-Hinton Funeral Home, Hopkinsville, Ky. Burial was in River Side Cemetery, Hopkinsville. Local arrangements by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City.

**ELLIS, Floyd Ray,** 57, of Belleville died at 3:45 a.m. Monday, Jan. 15, 1996, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville. Services were Wednesday at

Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Kenneth Reeves. Burial in Memorial Park Cemetery, St. Louis. Memorials to the Sunday school class at First United Pentecostal Church, Granite City.

**GROTT, Helen E. (Lazar),** 77, of Granite City died at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1996, at Jewish Hospital, St. Louis. Private family services were held. Burial in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Arrangements by Jay E. Smith-Schumacher Chapel, St. Louis.

**HALL, Lavanch Reoyin (Goller),** 86, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 8:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996, at Anna Henry Nursing Home, Edwardsville. No services were held. Arrangements by Weber Funeral Home, Edwardsville. Memorials to Alzheimer's Association, in care of family. Services were Monday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Var-

**LAN, Kassaban.** Her remains were cremated. Arrangements by Irwin Chapel, Granite City. Memorials to St. Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church, 1732 Maple, Granite City, Ill., 62040.

**TANASE, Mary "Mame" (Kosky),** 85, of Collinsville, formerly of Madison, died at 3:06 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, 1996, at her residence. Services were Monday at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Eastern Orthodox Church, Madison, by the Rev. F. Thomas Succar. Burial in Nativity of the

**THORNBURG, Golda M. (Richardson),** 107, of Granite City died at 1:35 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12, 1996, at Colonnades Nursing Home, Granite City. Private services were Tuesday at Mercer Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Bruce Rushing. Burial in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to donor's choice.

**MOURADIAN, Hripsime "Houry" (Deokmedjian),** 46, of Granite City died at 7:20 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were Monday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Var-

## •Rally

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federal charges against one pro-life activist. Yehling said the activities planned this weekend will be peaceful. "We contacted the police more than a month ago to inform them of our planned activities," Yehling said. "Everything will be orderly."

Assistant Chief Kip Pomeroy of the Granite City Police Department said he expects no trouble.

"From our long experiences, we pretty much know what to expect. We have developed effective plans and will have them in place," Pomeroy said.

Yehling said the main activity of the day will be prayer for unborn children.

"Lives have been changed at (the Hope Clinic) through prayer," Yehling said. He said prayers have been uttered at the site each Saturday since Feb. 29, 1992, when the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a four-by-six-foot photographic replica of the original 1531 Miraculous Image from Mexico City, brought 100 to the clinic and 200 to a special mass and veneration service at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church.

"Two persons left the clinic that day without keeping their abortion appointment," Yehling said.

Since that time, the Granite City Right to Life group has conducted baby showers for some mothers whose minds have been changed about the importance of their child, Yehling said.

On Saturday, the activities will begin with mass celebrated at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, an assembly at Memorial Park across from St. Elizabeth Medical Center and a silent procession around the hospital culminating with a prayer service, hymns and rosary at the Memorial for the Unborn Baby, located on SEMC property.

The memorial is located adjacent to the Hope Clinic for Women, a provider of reproductive services for women, including abortions.

During the placement of roses at the memorial, the group will proceed down Madison Avenue to 26th Street for a benediction at Holy Family Catholic Church.

Monsignor Philip J. Reilly of Brooklyn, N.Y., founder of The Helpers of God's Precious Infants, will lead morning prayer services for life. Yehling said Reilly is often accompanied by bishops of the Catholic Church on such visits, and that five bishops have been invited to participate in Saturday's activities.

Yehling said the public is welcome to participate in the demonstration and prayer, as long as participants remain peaceful and respectful.

On Sunday, Monsignor Reilly will be the keynote speaker at the annual Recommitment to Life Rally at the state capitol building in Springfield.

## •Project

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Joe Juneau of Juneau Associates, the city's contractual engineer, said that the aldermen discuss the situation further before making a decision. He said the city could accept the bids and allocate more money for the project, scale down the project or reject the bids and start again.

Stuart recommended proceeding with Phase I, utilizing the \$600,000 allocated and then allocating more money later. "Nobody wants to stop (the project)," Warfield said. "There's just nobody sure now what it's going to cost."

## •Ballot

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R-Jerseyville, and Sen. Frank Watson, R-Greenview, are on the ballot slate from the district, along with Becky Doyle of Gillespie, director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Delegate candidates have until next Wednesday to file for election. The presidential candidates themselves also have the same deadline to be in a non-binding.

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KMOV	4	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Edison	Rescue 911	Young and the Restless	News	News	News	News	News	News
KSDQ	3	Another World	Days of Our Lives	Elision	Jagacy	Ogish Village	News	News	News	News	News	News
KDML	5	Home Life	Two Parents	Corle Sc	Mania	Banana	Rangers	Varied	Platitudes	Larry Rice	Yon	Fort
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KPLR	11	Jeany Jones	Varied	Barkers	Adrian	Warner	Gargoyles	Animals	Full House	Go. Pains	Step-	Step-
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TNT	7	Gumbly	Tin	Looney	Beetjuque	Chuggs	Tiny Toon	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Cross
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DISC	2	Tennis	Varied Programs	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Cross
TBS	13	Movie	Cord	Cartoon Planz	Cutline	Gardfield	Brady	Popular Mechanics	Saved-Sci	Fant. Mat.	Fant. Mat.	Video
WBNS	2	Tennis	Varied Programs	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Looney	Cross
WGN	12	Perry Mason	Charles Perez	Warner	Animals	Fant. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Sci	Saved-Sci	Fant. Mat.	Fant. Mat.	Video
WBNS	12	Classic Club	Varied Programs	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	Video
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THURSDAY EVENING / JANUARY 25, 1996

BROADCAST STATIONS											
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## Obituaries

## Clarence Macke

Clarence August Macke, 71, of Granite City, formerly of Jackson, Mo., died at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1996, at his residence, following a 10-year illness. He was born Feb. 1, 1924, in Cape Girardeau, Mo., and had been a resident of Granite City for 34 years.

A life maintenance man with A.O. Smith Corp. in Granite City for 26 years prior to his retirement in 1950, he was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church in Granite City and the Venice-Madison American Legion Post 307 in Venice. He was a lifelong member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Madison and the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 1 in St. Louis and an Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia J. (LaHoche) Macke, whom he married July 5, 1950; one son, Robert E. Macke of Granite City; one stepdaughter, Patricia Harper of Festus, Mo.; three brothers, Ernest Macke of St. Louis, Elmer Macke of Jackson, and Robert Macke of Granite City; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Freda Macke; his brother, Arnold Macke; and two sisters, Virginia Penrod and Ester Macke.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City. Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Michael Hart officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials to the donor's choice are suggested.

## Dorothy Frohardt

Dorothy (West) Frohardt, 86, of Granite City, died at 1:10 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1996, in the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, following a six-month illness. She was born Feb. 21, 1909, in Granite City, where she had been a lifelong resident.

A third grade teacher at Webster School in Granite City prior to her retirement in 1973, she was a member of Niedringhaus United Methodist Church in Granite City and the Historical Society of Madison County.

Survivors include one son, James Frohardt of Battle Creek, Mich., and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter E. Frohardt, whom she married in June 1936, and who died Aug. 8, 1995; one daughter, Olive Haslag, who died in June 1990; and her parents, James and Olive West.

Arrangements are pending with Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, 621-4000.

He was a U.S. Army veteran and of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife, Sue (Yacez) Macke, whom he married in 1972, in Granite City; one son, Robert E. Macke of Granite City; one daughter, Patricia Harper of Festus, Mo.; three brothers, Ernest Macke of St. Louis, Elmer Macke of Jackson, and Robert Macke of Granite City; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Finis "Eddie" Macke, who died June 17, 1992.

Visitation is from 4 to 9 p.m. today, Thursday, at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road in Granite City, where services are at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Henry Clippel officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Fairview Heights.

Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society.

## Cassie Finley

Cassie Ann (Young) Finley, 72, of St. Louis, formerly of Granite City, died at 6:50 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 14, 1996, at her residence after a long illness. She was born Feb. 17, 1923, in Madison and was a resident of Granite City for many years.

A homemaker, she was a member of the Senior Citizens Group of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include two sons, Lloyd and Charles, both of St. Louis; one daughter, Mary Ann, of Jacksonville, Fla.; one daughter, Mary Ann, of St. Louis; one son, Pansy Vanita of St. Louis; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Finley, and her parents, Oscar and Leona (Haynes) Finley.

Services were Wednesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals in Pontoon Beach with the Rev. Eddie Linhart officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

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A slot supervisor at Casey's Restaurant and Palace for the last five years, she was the owner of the restaurant.

Survivors include her husband, Harold Hand, who died in 1982; one son, Carl Ross of Granite City; two daughters, Debra Hand of Granite City and Angela Hand of Edwardsville; and five brothers: Charles, Ray, Ralph and Clarence Hartline, all of Pontoon Beach, and Fred Hartline of the three sisters, Mary Brothers of Granite City, Leta Carlisle-Hartline of Kansas City, Mo., and Geneva Converse of Gainesville, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clay and Ella (Whitten) Hartline.

Memorial services were Tuesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals in Pontoon Beach with the Rev. Eddie Linhart officiating.

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The family will receive friends from noon to 2 p.m. today, Thursday, at Davis Funeral Home, 21st Street and Cleveland Boulevard in Granite City. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. today with the Rev. Jerry Casey officiating. Burial of the cremated remains will be in Back Road Cemetery.

Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society or to the family of Josephine Zillibotti.

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She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Wright, who died May 10, 1972; her parents, Louis and Anna (Miller) Setzkorn; and one brother, Henry Setzkorn.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, at Seabury Funeral Home in Tamaro, where services are at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Mike Krawson officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park in Du Quoin.

Memorials are requested for the Caseyville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

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## Helen Grotz

Helen Elaine (Lazar) Grotz Sr., 77, of Granite City, died at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1996, at Jewish Hospital in St. Louis following a two-year illness. She was born in Madison and had been a resident of Granite City since 1937.

A homemaker, she was the owner of the Roman Orthodox faith. Survivors include three daughters, Helen E. Grotz Jr. of Collinsville and Linda J. Grotz and Lana-Jo Stovall, both of Granite City, and two grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Louis J. Grotz, whom she married in 1937.

Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Arrangements were handled by Jay D. Smith-Schumacher Chapel in St. Louis.

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## Pet adoption day Saturday

Madison County Humane Society is holding an Adopt-A-Pet Day Jan. 20, 12-4 p.m. at PetMart in O'Fallon. Puppies, dogs, kittens and cats are available for adoption.

The cost of adopting a dog is \$50 and includes a rabies shot, DHLPP, collar, leash, ID tag, and \$15 spay/neuter deposit. Cat adoptions are \$30 and include FVRCP shots, collar, ID tag, and \$15 spay/neuter deposit. Puppies and declawed cats are available. For more information, call the Madison County Humane Society at 656-4405.

## Tax

(Continued from Page 1A)

After a brief explanation, Alderman Norris Horton mentioned "the strike a match to it (the ordinance)." That motion was not acted on.

Then criticized aldermen for being surprised that the proposal was presented.

"It's been talked about," he said.

A rental property tax was first brought to the council in October. At the time, Spengler said the proposal would be similar to one adopted in Cahokia.

Proponents said it would make landlords responsible and help ensure building and safety standards are maintained.

On Tuesday, Alderman Michael Vrabec, chairman of the Legislative Committee, said he had planned for a first reading of the ordinance, and then public hearings.

At that point, the mayor threatened to veto the ordinance.

Vrabec then said the ordinance had been prepared because of requests from aldermen.

Don Schaefer, president of the Metro East Landlord's Association, said Wednesday the group was generally opposed to such a tax.

The association has filed a lawsuit against Cahokia claiming the city does not have the authority to institute such a tax.

"I find it hard to believe that Madison is going to go to the same expense when it will all come to naught," he said.

Schaefer said Madison city officials had not contacted his group for their input, but because he had not seen the proposed ordinance.

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# Wood River still plans to market business park

WOOD RIVER — The possible loss of the planned Polasky Energy Corp. plant will not jeopardize development of the city's Lewis and Clark EnviroTech Business Park.

"Even if (Polasky) pulled out, the park is still marketable," City Manager Joey Tolbert said. Polasky, operating as Wood River Partners, has leased 34 acres in the city's new business park at Illinois 3 and 143 to build a \$13.3 million wood-to-energy plant. However, the project may have lost major funding with the Legislature's repeal last week of the state's retail rate law, which is awaiting the governor's signature.

Tolbert said officials are not ready to count out Polasky and are backing a public appeal to the governor, but the city will continue to market the park nationally.

"We are not ready to make that determination until we have exhausted every effort with the governor. We like to take the positive approach," he said.

The Polasky plant could be an anchor tenant in the park. "We don't have the opportunity to develop a \$100 million property too many times," Tolbert said. "The value of the investment and the spinoff in the community with construction jobs and secondary jobs is great."

But even without Polasky, we feel the park will be a success. We just won't have that anchor tenant in place."

The city's discussions with Polasky provided the impetus to go ahead with the business park's infrastructure and to sell \$3.3 million in general obligation tax increment bonds to

finance it, but the park does not depend on any single business for development.

According to planners, the 138-acre park was designed to house environmentally related businesses, including recycling, pollution control and cleanup; environmental engineering; materials processing and production; and environmental technology development.

Ohio-based Norton Environmental picked the park as a site for a proposed materials recovery facility to process mixed waste for Madison County communities. Video Vending of Alton has agreed to buy 5 acres for a 25,000-square-foot building expected to be constructed when weather permits.

Tolbert said the rate law repeal was a blow to the city, but it could have greater

consequences for the state as a whole.

"It's hard for big business to seriously consider locating in Illinois when the rules change in mid-stream," he said. "If we are going to change the incentive programs, that's a question that reaches far beyond the business park."

The 1988 law requires utilities to buy power from waste-to-energy plants at the retail rate charged the local municipality. But since that is typically two to four times as much as the utility's own cost of generating the electricity, the utility is reimbursed for the difference through state tax credits.

The Illinois Commerce Commission projected the tax loss at more than \$500 million by 1998 based on facilities already approved.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## Shell to spin off Wood River plant

ROXANA — Shell Oil Co.'s Wood River Manufacturing Complex is among five company refineries in the United States that will be converted into separate corporations to give each plant a greater role in determining profitability.

"It's a total new path for us," Wood River spokeswoman Tara Condon-Tullier said. "The good thing is, at this refinery, we've been heading this direction" in terms of cost-cutting. Shell Oil Products Co. will convert the five refineries into separate corporations effective April 1. Each refinery must first choose a board of directors that must in turn choose a president and chief executive officer.

The leaders will then determine the types of issues and goals to be pursued at each refinery.

Condon-Tullier said that "at this time" it is expected that all board positions will be comprised of people within the Roxana plant.

The advantage to the refinery will be the ability "to cut through the layers of bureaucracy" to make key decisions without having to get the approval of Shell headquarters in Houston. The downside may be a decrease in headquarters' support.

"We won't have the head office support that we've always had in the past, like technical expertise and different services," Condon-Tullier said. "I don't think the general public realizes how much we rely on the head office for things like governmental relations, external affairs, purchasing, any kind of business services or just plain engineering technical support."

Each refinery will become more accountable in its financial decisions, from purchasing to hiring of independent contractors.

"This empowers our employees to start making their own decisions and thereby give us a stronger financial position. That ultimately helps Shell in Houston and in turn Royal Dutch (Petroleum Co., the parent company)," she said.

Shell officials could not say Monday what effect the structural change may have on the financial organization of the company or its subsidiaries.

Condon-Tullier said the local Shell plant has not been profitable for several years. About 450 employees have been cut since 1992.

The other refineries to be spun off by Shell are in Anacortes, Wash.; Martinez, Calif.; Odessa, Texas; and Norco, La. The only other Shell U.S. refinery — in Deer Park, Texas — is a joint venture between Shell and a unit of Petrosas Mexicanos and is not involved in the incorporation activity.

Wood River plant manager Gayle Johnson sees the move as positive.

"I believe this will lead to more efficiency, quicker response and a greater sense of ownership by employees to the very competitive nature of our business," Johnson said.

Jim Morgan, president and chief executive officer of Shell Oil Products Co., said a significant effort has been under way at the refineries during the past two years to improve the bottom line.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## 'Damn Yankees' set for GCHS stage

The Granite City High School speech department will present its own production of the hit Broadway musical, "Damn Yankees," Thursday and Friday, Jan. 25-26, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Tickets are \$4 and available from cast members or at the door.

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**Open window** — Belleville Area College recently held a Windows 5.1 computer class as part of the Saturday Experience workshop program. Windows instructor Marlene Edwards of Scott Air Force Base works with student Mike Ashby of Granite City in a class at the Granite City Campus.

## Bill would allow casinos to move

SPRINGFIELD — Riverboat casinos along the Mississippi River could relocate elsewhere in Illinois under a bill introduced in the state Senate.

The legislation was introduced by Sen. Harry "Babe" Woodyard, R-Charleston. His district includes Danville, a location the owners of the shuttered Silver Eagle Casino near East Dubuque have mentioned as a site where they would be interested in relocating.

Under current state law, there is no specific provision allowing present licensees to relocate; the law also requires at least four of the 10 riverboat gambling licenses to be on the Mississippi River.

The Silver Eagle holds one of those, even though it has not operated since Dec. 5 after losing most of its business to competitors across the river in Iowa, where there are less restrictive regulations.

Woodyard's bill would remove the requirement that four of the licenses be for Mississippi River sites and also give the state Gaming Board authority to approve transfers to new locations.

The other three Mississippi River licenses are for the Alton Belle Casino, the Casino Queen and Casino Rock Island.

"We have no plans to relocate. Our plans are to remain on the Mississippi River at Alton," said G. Dan Marshall, spokesman for Alton Belle owner Argosy Gaming Co.

Marshall said he assumed the purpose of the Woodyard bill was to help the Silver Eagle and perhaps the Casino Rock Island should their owners wish to relocate to a "less competitive contiguous state position."

He said he didn't know if Argosy had taken a position on the bill.

Other new legislation introduced for the current session includes a bill sponsored by Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville, requiring inmates who must serve weekends in county jails while continuing to be employed during the week to pay for the cost of their incarceration.

The bill states that the offender must pay a board rate established by the County Board or 50 percent of his or her daily earnings.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## Amtrak panel continues bickering

SPRINGFIELD — A legislative task force considering state subsidies to avoid elimination of some Amtrak trains hasn't left the station.

Although faced with a Feb. 28 deadline for a supplemental appropriation of \$2.5 million to keep the trains running, the task force continued to bicker last week and came to no conclusions.

State Rep. Don Salsman, D-Peoria, suggested the revenue be taken from state road funds, but that was strongly opposed by Transportation Secretary Kirk Brown. He said any subsidy should continue to force on state general revenue funds.

Sen. Beverly Fawell, R-Naperville, argued that if the state continued to subsidize Amtrak service, it should also subsidize commuter trains in her area.

Despite a lack of agreement after three meetings on the subsidies, Merrill Travis, railroad division chief for the Transportation Department, said he "heard a consensus they don't want the trains to go away the end of February."

IDOT has asked for recommendations from the task force on long-term options it has outlined to purchase either new European train equipment, new Amtrak equipment or used Canadian equipment for use on the Illinois routes.

By owning its own trains and contracting for maintenance and food service, IDOT officials project they could run the service cheaper than subsidizing Amtrak's operation.

The state stepped in and began subsidizing four trains in June after Amtrak announced budget cutbacks that otherwise would have eliminated the runs.

Unless lawmakers and the governor authorize additional funding by Feb. 28, the Statehouse train between St. Louis and Chicago would be among those discontinued. The train leaves Alton for Chicago at 5:50 a.m. weekdays, and returns to Alton at 8 p.m.

— From the Alton Telegraph

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		Sandy Margrabe, Instructor		
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# Sports

## Surging Warriors roll past Comets

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

After a lull period of about five games, maybe the hockey Warriors have turned things around.

After beginning the season 11-0, the Warriors struggled through a 2-2 spell where they couldn't flash their form that was the talk of the Mid-States Club Hockey Association's Tier II.

BUT EVEN COACH Dave Yurkovich is optimistic after watching the Warriors (15-2) pick up a pair of wins over McCluer last weekend. And although Granite City did not play especially well on Saturday, the team looked like its old, dominating self on Monday as the Warriors cruised to a 10-4 win at Wilson Park.

"We just needed more enthusiasm," Yurkovich said. "We needed to be more supportive of each other. There was a different attitude on Monday. We decided to come out and play." Although the outcome never looked to be in doubt, the Comets were within one goal three minutes into the second period, and even late in the second period they were still within two.

BUT THE FINAL four tallies belonged to the Warriors.

"Even though they were close, I felt like we were in

control of the game throughout," Yurkovich said. "We were dominating, and they were getting a few breaks here and there."

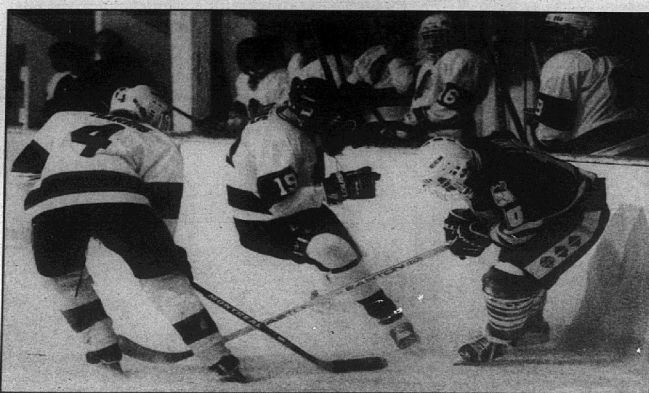
Aaron Reeves collected three goals on the night, and Clint Phelps scored twice for the second consecutive game. Kevin Nenninger stepped up with a pair of scores, while Bobby Pritchard, David Miskelley and Brian Johnson also added goals.

Pritchard's goal was a big one and came late in the second period, putting the Warriors ahead 7-4. Miskelley, Nenninger and Johnson followed with goals in the third period that put the game away.

REEVES BEGAN the meriment by scoring twice in the first six minutes of the game. After the Comets answered with one, Phelps scored. When the Comets scored again, so did Phelps, the second time with 2:46 gone in the second period.

The Comets made it 4-3, but Yurkovich was still not impressed.

"They got a couple soft goals, especially their second one," he said. "We shot the



Jon Burns (19) and Bobby Harris work the boards. The Warriors improved to 15-2 with Monday's win.

puck right at one of their players — it went right under his stick — and the referee called icing on us. They scored off the faceoff, so it cost us a goal. That wasn't a difference in the game, but it could have

been, and I just think the officials should know the rules and be able to keep up with the game." Reeves completed his hat trick at 7:07 of the second period, and Nenninger got his first

of the game less than a minute later.

"I was glad to see Phelps get a couple of goals," Yurkovich said. "He's worked very hard all year and had a ton of (See WARRIORS, Page 3B)



Aaron Reeves

## Skaters ice road win over McCluer

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

Before the Warriors found themselves in Monday's clash against McCluer, they struggled to beat the Comets in Saturday's game at the Webster Ice Rink.

The man-to-man defense which the Warriors beat easily on Monday was a real thorn in Granite City's side, although the Warriors broke through enough to secure a 6-2 win.

"GOING IN, we knew their record wasn't outstanding, but they're a good skating team, and their coach did a good job of implementing that defense," said Granite City coach Dave Yurkovich. "However, when a team does that, you have to move, and we stood around way too much."

Jon Burns and Clint Phelps led the Warriors with a pair of goals each, and Mikal Guffey and Bobby Pritchard added one apiece. Tony Evans stopped 15 shots to pick up the win in goal.

Besides their skating ability, the Comets also played a physical brand of hockey Saturday.

"They kept us at bay for quite a while," Yurkovich said. "We geared things up a little in the second (period) and got things rolling. But their defense worked well. And we just didn't come out with the fire that we should have."

"It took a period or so to sink in."

THE WARRIORS OUTSHOT the Comets 12-6 in the first period, and Burns had the only goal. He scored an unassisted goal with 1:51 left in the period.

But out of their 12 shots, the Warriors had few quality chances, and when they did get one on net they weren't there for the rebound.

The Comets tied the game at the 1:46 mark of the second period on a 3-on-2 rush.

(See SKATERS, Page 3B)

## Trojanettes making strides under Smith

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

The Madison girls basketball team continues to gain knowledge and experience as it progresses through Don Smith's first year as head coach.

The Trojanettes stand at 2-9 after a loss to Red Bud on Tuesday night. Madison also dropped close games to Lebanon and Cardinal Ritter last week.

MADISON HAS RAISED its level of play, Smith said, and now he's trying to get his team to play more consistently.

"These girls are coming along, they really are," he said. "It's not showing up in the win column, but they're so much better than they were six weeks ago."

"It's been hard for them, because I know they're frustrated. We need a win, but it's going to take some patience on all of our parts."

It's been close but no cigar lately for Madison, although Tuesday's game was not as close. But against Lebanon, the Trojanettes lost by just six, and the game against Ritter was an 11-point loss.

STILL, SMITH SAYS he sees improvement on both sides of the ball.

"Offensively, we have a much better idea of what we need to do each time down the floor," Smith said. "We're to a point where everyone knows their role, it's just a matter of experience and learning what to do in different situations."

Defensively, we've improved a thousand percent from where we were at the beginning of the year. At the start of the season, the girls didn't know a single defensive set. Now I can say that we're better in the zone. We don't have the quickness to play most teams in a man-to-man."

With such inexperience, Madison's schedule has been a tough one this year. But when a team goes up against foes like Red Bud, which is 11-4, one can learn in a hurry.

"THE BETTER THE competition, the more we can learn each time," Smith said. "I really believe that's the right way to go."

The Trojanettes have several more games remaining against Cahokia Conference teams. They host Columbia tonight.

After the Columbia game, only one game remains on Madison's home schedule.

"It's been fun so far," Smith said. "We've enjoyed playing in front of our fans, and we've had some good turnouts this year. Once we got our gym ready at the high school, I think the girls have enjoyed it much more. We're home now, and we're building a new team, basically."



Granite City senior Mark Mendenhall (left) will suit up at the University of Missouri-St. Louis next season.

## Warriors' Mendenhall commits to Rivermen

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

Mark Mendenhall knows how fortunate he is to have played for Gene Baker.

Mendenhall, a senior striker last fall for the GCHS soccer team, gives Baker a big chunk of the credit for his success. That success continues, as Mendenhall has given an oral commitment to play soccer at the University of Missouri at St. Louis next fall.

"I OWE A lot to Coach," Mendenhall said. "He's worked hard for me, and for all of us. If it wasn't for him, I don't know what would have happened. He's been working like that for years, and I'm just happy I was able to be a part of it."

Mendenhall has been offered what amounts to a half-scholarship to play soccer for Rivermen coach Tom Redmund. He has a chance to earn the other half of his tuition through academics.

"I was told that very few players get full scholarships there," he said. "The coach said he tries to help as many people out as he can. But I

have a chance to earn more money each year academically, so this is a good opportunity."

"I'm happy with my decision, and ready to get started. It's been a pretty stressful time the last few months, wondering where I was going to go and everything. I'm glad it's over."

MENDENHALL, WHO will turn 18 in June, said he wanted to stay close to the area, find a school with a good nursing program, and play soccer. He's hit the trifecta.

"They have a good nursing program that's affiliated with Barnes Hospital, so that was a big factor," Mendenhall said. "I really didn't want to go away to school anywhere. SIUE was another choice, but I really didn't like them too much."

In a way, Mendenhall is once again following his predecessor.

Shawn Petroski, who is now playing soccer in Germany, was the Warriors' striker before Mendenhall got his chance last fall. Petroski also went to go into nursing, and Mendenhall followed him.

(See MENDENHALL, Page 3B)



Venice junior Don Matthews (24) tries to get the ball under control.

## Knights' bombs sink Red Devils

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

Triad used a deadly inside-outside game to thwart the efforts of the Venice Red Devils on Tuesday night in the opening round of the Sparta Mid-Winter Classic basketball tournament.

If Nathan Taylor (13 points), Brian Patterson (12) or Jeff Johnson (nine) wasn't making 3-pointers, the Knights simply passed the ball into Josh Cigliana, where he dominated the lane for 26 points.

IT WAS TOO much for the Red Devils (4-9), even though coach Clinton Harris said his team didn't play a bad brand of defense.

"That whole team can shoot the ball," Harris said. "They were just hitting their threes, and there wasn't much we could do about it. We played some good defense here and there, and of course there's always things you can do better. But they just shot the ball well, and we didn't."

The Devils were within one point of Triad (8-4) with two minutes to go in the third quarter, but the Knights simply worked the ball around until one of their scorers got open.

The Knights hit seven 3-pointers in all, many of them in crucial spots. The Devils did get some late-game scoring from Kevin Roberts (12 points), Keita Kennedy (11) and Donald Harris (nine), but it was not enough.

JAMIE EDWARDS led the Devils with 14 points.

Triad got out to a 13-8 lead after one period, then held off a Venice rally late in the second quarter to lead by three at the half (36-33).

Roberts started the Devils' charge in the third quarter, after Venice fell behind by seven with five minutes left. Roberts hit the first of his three 3-pointers to bring Venice to within two with 2:30 left in the third. A free throw by Kennedy brought Venice to within one at 47-46 with two minutes showing on the clock.

BUT THE KNIGHTS pulled out a 12-0 run beginning the fourth quarter, and led 63-49 with five minutes left in the game.

The Devils were scheduled to play Waterloo on Wednesday night and will face Lebanon at 8 p.m. tonight. Venice will close out the tournament at 8 p.m. Friday against Sparta.

(See DEVILS, Page 3B)



# Stats 'n' stuff

## Prep basketball

**Salem Invitational**  
Wednesday, Jan. 17  
Game 1: Centerville vs. Wood River, 7 p.m.  
Game 2: Granite City vs. Salem, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 18  
Game 3: Edwardsville vs. Charleston, 7 p.m.  
Game 4: Mount Vernon vs. Effingham, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 19  
Game 5: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 3, 7 p.m.  
Game 6: Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 4, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20  
Game 7: Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2, 12:30 p.m.  
Game 8: Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4, 2 p.m.

Game 9: Third place — Loser Game 5 vs. Loser Game 6, 2 p.m.  
Game 10: Consolation — Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8, 7:30 p.m.

Game 11: Title — Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10, 9 p.m.

**Highland Girls Invitational**  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Game 1: Greenville 48, Edwardsville 35  
Game 2: Carlyle 77, Triad 32

Game 3: Carlyle 61, Highland 39  
Game 4: Breese Mater Dei 62, Pinckneyville 34  
Game 5: O'Fallon 45, Althoff 31

Game 6: Paris 67, Westlin 38  
Game 7: Breese Central 49, Althoff 46  
Game 8: Belleville East 55, Okawville 42

Tuesday, Jan. 16  
Game 9: Edwardsville 50, Triad 46  
Game 10: Pinckneyville 49, Highland 47  
Game 11: Carlyle 58, Greenville 39

Game 12: Breese Mater Dei 62, Teutopolis 40  
Wednesday, Jan. 17  
Game 13: Althoff vs. Westlin, 4 p.m.  
Game 14: Althoff vs. Okawville, 5:30 p.m.

Game 15: O'Fallon vs. Paris, 7 p.m.  
Game 16: Central vs. Belleville East, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 18  
Game 17: Edwardsville vs. Pinckneyville, 4 p.m.  
Game 18: Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 14, 5:30 p.m.

Game 19: Carlyle vs. Mater Dei, 7 p.m.  
Game 20: Winner Game 15 vs. Winner Game 16, 8:30 p.m.

Game 21: Greenville vs. Teutopolis, 5:30 p.m.  
Game 22: Loser Game 15 vs. Loser Game 16, 7 p.m.

Consolation championship: Winner Game 17 vs. Winner Game 18, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20  
Fifth place: Winner Game 21 vs. Winner Game 22, 11 a.m.  
Third place: Loser Game 19 vs. Loser Game 20, 12:30 p.m.

Championship: Winner Game 19 vs. Winner Game 20, 2 p.m.

**Belleville East Invitational**  
Tuesday, Jan. 16  
Game 1: Carbondale 79, Althoff 62  
Game 2: Belleville East 90, O'Fallon 62

Wednesday, Jan. 17  
Game 3: Highland vs. Cahokia, 12 p.m.  
Game 4: Belleville West vs. Jennings (Mo.), 8:30 p.m.

Game 5: Althoff vs. O'Fallon, 7 p.m.  
Game 6: Carbondale vs. Belleville East, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 19  
Game 7: Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4, 7 p.m.  
Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20  
Game 9: Consolation — Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 7, 5:30 p.m.  
Game 10: Third place — Loser Game 6 vs. Loser Game 8, 7 p.m.

Game 11: Title — Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10, 8:30 p.m.

**Sparta Mid-Winter Classic**  
Tuesday, Jan. 16  
Game 1: Triad 72, Venice 60  
Game 2: Sparta 46, Waterloo 38

Wednesday, Jan. 17  
Game 3: Sparta vs. Lebanon, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 4: Venice vs. Waterloo, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 18  
Game 5: Waterloo vs. Triad, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 6: Lebanon vs. Venice, 8 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 19  
Game 7: Triad vs. Lebanon, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 8: Venice vs. Sparta, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20  
Game 9: Lebanon vs. Waterloo, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 10: Sparta vs. Triad, 8 p.m.

**Nashville Invitational**  
Tuesday, Jan. 16  
Game 1: Breese Mater Dei 73, Vandalia 41  
Game 2: Nashville 54, Westlin 47

Wednesday, Jan. 17  
Game 3: Freeburg vs. Breese Central, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 4: Mascoutah vs. Gibault, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 18

Game 5: Vandalia vs. Westlin, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 6: Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4, 8 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 19  
Game 7: Breese Mater Dei vs. Nashville, 6:30 p.m.  
Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20  
Game 9: Seventh place — Loser Game 5 vs. Loser Game 6, 12 p.m.

Game 10: Consolation — Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6, 1:30 p.m.

Game 11: Third place — Loser Game 7 vs. Loser Game 8, 6:30 p.m.

Game 12: Title — Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8, 8 p.m.

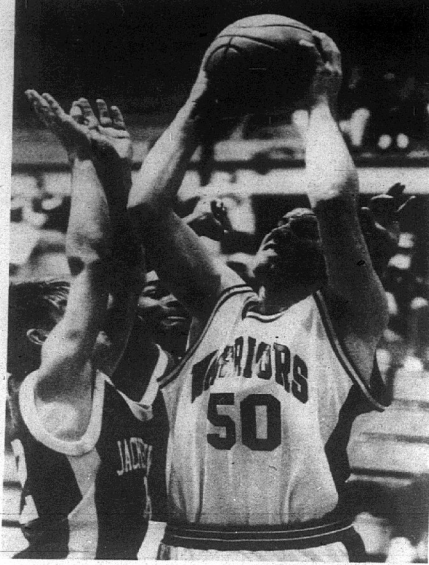
**Litchfield Invitational**  
Monday, Jan. 15  
Game 1: Hillsboro 78, Columbia 75  
Game 2: Shelbyville 71, Litchfield 38

Tuesday, Jan. 16  
Game 3: Shelbyville 85, Columbia 72  
Game 4: Jerseyville 57, Litchfield 48

Thursday, Jan. 18  
Game 5: Jerseyville vs. Shelbyville, 6:15 p.m.  
Game 6: Litchfield vs. Hillsboro, 8 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 19  
Game 7: Columbia vs. Jerseyville, 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20  
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(Staff photo by T.I. WITT)  
Dustin Brewer (50) battles inside. GCHS met Salem in the first round of the Salem Invitational on Wednesday night.

## By the numbers

### Journal Writers' Poll Boys Basketball

#### LARGE SCHOOLS

1. CBC (14-0).....69
2. Webster Groves (15-1).....64
3. Belleville East (12-2).....55
4. DeMet (12-5).....43
5. St. Charles West (11-3).....34
6. (tie) Haz. Central (10-4).....30
6. (tie) Collinsville (11-3).....30
8. Parkway Central (10-2).....19
9. Vashon (10-4).....9
10. Mehlville (9-4).....8

Also receiving votes: De Soto, Marquette, Oakville, Francis Howell, Alton, Riverview Gardens and Northwest-House Springs

#### SMALL SCHOOLS

1. Cardinal Ritter (9-4).....70
2. Freeburg (12-2).....59
3. Columbia (12-1).....54
4. John Burroughs (10-2).....48
5. Gateway-Tech (11-1).....36

### Journal Writers' Poll Girls Basketball

#### LARGE SCHOOLS

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2. Car Jesu (12-2).....64
3. Belleville East (14-2).....53
4. Hazelwood C. (13-1).....49
5. St. Charles West (9-2).....36
6. Webster Groves (12-2).....35
7. Northwest (10-3).....23
8. O'Fallon (13-2).....16
9. Eureka (11-2).....15
10. McCluer (10-3).....13

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### Journal Writers' Poll Wrestling

#### Week of Jan. 17

1. Granite City (1).....51
2. Hazelwood East (3).....58
3. St. Charles West (8).....53
4. Francis Howell (4).....52
5. Fox (2).....49
6. Oakville (7).....30
7. DeMet (6).....32
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## Boys basketball

### METRO STANDINGS

#### ABC League

Team	Conf	Overall
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John Burroughs	2-1	102
Principia	3-0	73
Country Day	0-0	67
Lutheran North	0-2	57

Team	Conf	Overall
Columbia	4-0	121
Freeburg	3-0	122
Red Bud	3-1	86
Waterloo	3-2	78
Lebanon	4-3	85
Carlyle	2-2	67
Breese C.	1-3	78
Dupo	1-3	58
New Athens	0-3	47
St. John's	0-3	012

Team	Conf	Overall
St. Charles West	3-0	113
Troy	3-0	103
Howell	3-1	105
Fl. Zumwalt North	2-1	64
Fl. Zumwalt South	1-1	65
Howell	1-3	68
St. Charles	0-1	73
Duchene	0-3	77
Wentville	0-3	39

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Metro East	2-0	93
Ochard Farm	1-1	83
Valley Park	0-0	83
Westminster	0-0	58
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Silex	0-1	58
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## Hockey

### Mid-States Club Hockey Association

#### Standings (Through Jan. 10)

Team	W-L-T	Pts	GF	GA
Webster Groves	13-1-2	28	79	25
Parway South	12-3-1	26	70	36
Parway Central	7-7-2	16	64	71
Parway West	5-7-4	14	42	60
Kirkwood	6-9-1	13	51	61
Parway North	1-14-1	3	39	96

Team	W-L-T	Pts	GF	GA
DeMet	13-1-2	28	92	27
CBC	11-2-2	24	77	24



## Sports shorts

**Bowl for Kids' Sake**  
League bowlers are invited to participate in the 1996 Bowl for Kids' Sake event, sponsored by Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois in partnership with the Bowling Proprietors Association.

Participating bowling centers include Bowl Haven in Alton, River Bowl, Airport Plaza Bowl in Bethalto and Bel-Air and St. Clair Bowl in Belleville. League bowlers can get sponsors and scores will be taken from regular league games during the week of Feb. 18-24. Sponsors will be solicited beginning Jan. 28.

Prizes for top money raisers include a computer, tickets for Kiel Center, two round-trip tickets to a Southwestern Airlines destination and a stay at a luxury condo in Chicago.

The money raised will be used to recruit, screen and match volunteers with kids waiting for a Big Brother or Big Sister. A portion of the funds raised will also go to the Youth Bowling Scholarship program. Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Southwestern Illinois serves the children of St. Clair and Madison Counties.

For more information, contact a participating bowling center or call Big Brothers-Big Sisters at 465-4404 in Alton or 398-3162 in Belleville.

**High school league offered**  
The Granite City Park District would like to start a high school age basketball league. A minimum of four teams is needed to get the league started.

The league would be held at the Lincoln Place Community Center gymnasium on Thursday evenings at 7:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. each week for six weeks. The cost will be \$100 per team for six games and playoffs.

Please call the Wilson Park office at 877-3059 for more information.

**Pontoon leagues forming**  
The Pontoon Beach Kooray League Inc. is offering sign-ups for T-ball, baseball and softball leagues. The signups will be held at the Pontoon Beach Village Hall on Illinois 111 in Pontoon Beach.

Signups will continue through the months of January, February and March, on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Interested parties should bring birth certificate and photograph.

For more information, call Ida at 797-5477 or Tracy at 931-1291.

**Youth league signups**  
The Granite City Park District is now taking sign-ups for boys and girls water polo, youth baseball or ponytail softball. This does include T-ball leagues.

Names are placed on a list and teams are formed from the

list, or managers who need players will fill their team rosters from the list. Boys or girls who will be six years of age to 16 years may also have their names put on a list and every effort will be made to get them on a team.

Anyone interested in managing a youth baseball or softball team should also call or stop in the park office, as managers are always needed. For more information, call Ray Hoffman at the Wilson Park office, 877-3059.

**Softball meetings set**  
The Granite City Park District's Women's and Co-Ed softball organizational meeting for 1996 will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23 at the Harold Brown Recreation Center on Franklin Avenue in Granite City.

The meeting is for managers of teams in last year's program and for those who would like to manage a team this year. For more information, call the Wilson Park office at 877-3059.

**Basketball coaches needed**  
The Granite City Park District is planning to start a junior high school-age basketball program. But before the program can begin, the Park District must know if there is a sufficient number of coaches who would be available to manage the participants.

The program would be held at the Lincoln Place Community Center on Tuesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. each week for approximately six weeks.

Volunteer coaches are an important part of any Park District recreational program, and without the coaches' time and effort, the children will have no opportunity to participate.

Anyone interested in coaching is urged to call the Wilson Park office at 877-3059 as soon as possible.

**Softball tournaments set**  
The Kirkwood Athletic Association will have three ASA-sanctioned softball tournaments in 1996 for girls' fast-pitch softball teams from 6-under up to 18-under and all ages in between.

The tournaments will all be three-game guarantees and will be held on the weekends of April 13-15, May 17-19 and July 19-21. For more information, call Don Lecker at 314-555-5551.

**K of C Free-throw tourney**  
The Granite City Knights of Columbus Council 1098 has set the date for its annual free-throw championship. The tournament will be held on Saturday, Jan. 20 at the Knights of Columbus 1098, 401 Old Road in Granite City. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m., and the championship is expected to begin at 11:30 a.m. All boys and girls

ages 10-14 are eligible. Entrants must bring a birth certificate.

Winners will advance to the district and then to the regional levels, with those winners advancing to the state championships at the University of Illinois in Champaign. For more information, call Bob Palus at 461-8388.

**Elks Hoop Shoot set**  
The Granite City Elks Lodge #1063 will hold its local competition for the 24th Annual Elks Hoop Shoot, the national freethrow shooting contest for youngsters age 8-13.

The competition will be held Jan. 20 at Grigsby Middle School on Carroll Road in Granite City. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., and the contest will begin at 9 a.m. Competition for both boys and girls will be held in three different age categories: ages 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13.

More than three million youngsters from throughout the country entered last year's competition. Each contestant has 25 shots at the basket. The boys and girls in each age group with the best score advance through four tiers of competition to qualify for the national finals.

For more information, call Jim Greenwald at 878-4315.

**Golf show at dome**  
The St. Louis Golf Show will be the first public show to open in the new TransWorld Dome on Friday, Jan. 19 through Sunday, Jan. 21. The show opens on Friday at 3 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

More than 100 exhibitors will present a wide range of golf and related products for sale, including products direct from the manufacturers. Accessories, fashions, vacation opportunities, golf clubs, schools and associations will be available.

Paul Hahn Jr., the world's best trick-shot artist, will perform each day of the show. He will provide golf tips as well as entertain with his newest bag of tricks. Shows will be on Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday at noon and 4 p.m.

This year a Golf Theater has been added. Each day Rick Grayson, selected among the top 100 golf instructors of America in Golf Magazine's January 1996 issue, will provide a seminar on "The Basic Fundamentals of Your Swing."

Other Golf Theater seminars and clinics will be announced. On Saturday morning at 10 a.m., a special PGA Clubs for Kids program will be held. The first 200 children who participate in the free instructions will get to keep a golf club of their own.

Admission for the Golf Show is \$8 for adults and \$3 children ages 6-12. Children under 5 are free. Tickets will be available at the door.



Kevin Nenninger had a pair of goals in Monday's win over McCluer.

## •Skaters

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"When they play two of their men at our points, and when we are down low forechecking like we want to do, if their center gets the puck it's almost an automatic 3-on-2 break," Yurkovich said.

Then the line of Pritchard, Kevin Nenninger and Phelps took over, scoring twice on the same shift. Phelps finished off both plays, at 2:08 and 2:27 of the second period.

"That line really got us rolling," Yurkovich said. "That was a big shift for us."

Burns connected on his second goal of the game less than three minutes into the third period, with Guffey and Nenninger assisting on the power-play goal.

Yurkovich said that although

McCluer was physical, the Stars were also disciplined enough not to commit many penalties.

Guffey scored at 5:03 of the third period on assists by David Miskelley and Aaron Reeves, and after the Comets made it 5-2 Pritchard scored from Phelps with just 30 seconds left in the game.

"We never did turn it on," Yurkovich said. "And there were a lot of odd-man rushes against us. We wanted to see that stop, and it was better in the second and even better in the third period."

"Will (Connolly) and I told the boys after the game that they had better move better Monday in the smaller (Wilson Park) rink or it would be even tougher to play against that defense."

## •Warriors

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chances, so he deserves it. We also had a couple of other kids come out of slumps. Nenninger went through a lull period, and Reeves picked up his scoring this weekend.

"That's what we need, scoring from a lot of people. It's a matter of getting the effort from everybody for three periods."

Yurkovich said he is very positive of his team right now. "They are willing to work hard and do what it takes to win," he said. "They'll get that back. Every team goes through down periods like this, but the good teams recover from it and play even better."

"If everybody pitches in, we can dominate teams like we were doing earlier in the year."

## •Mendenhall

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actually chose SIUE before getting the pro offer in Germany.

Mendenhall, who began his prep career as a goalkeeper, led the Warriors in scoring last season with 13 goals and eight assists. Those are solid numbers, but following the incredible 48-goal season Petrovski had in 1994 was quite a challenge for Mendenhall.

"It gave me a goal to shoot for, that's for sure," Mendenhall said. "But following Shawn really was never a factor for me. I just tried to do

my best, and I figured everything would work out that way. And it has."

He said the highlights from his senior season included the win over St. Louis U. High, the tie with Vianney and the close 3-2 loss to CBC in the Tournament of Champions.

"I think we scared the daylights out of CBC when we went up 2-0 in that game," he said.

Mendenhall, the son of Gary and Debra Mendenhall of Granite City, recently finished playing indoor soccer for a Collinsville Select team. He is currently preparing to begin

the spring outdoor season with the Elks.

He said he realizes there's plenty of work to do before he reports to UMSL this fall.

"I have to run a lot, and stay on the weights," he said. "Bulking up and running is what I'll concentrate on, plus I'll just keep playing soccer." "The coach told me I have a real shot at playing this season. There were plenty of spots open both at forward and mid-field, but mostly at forward. It's completely open, and whoever works the most will get those spots. I figure if I prepare like I should, I'll do OK."

## •Devils

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The round-robin tournament concludes Saturday. The team

with the best record in head-to-head competition is declared the champion.

"We had open shots, but we couldn't hit them," Harris said. "Meantime, they were hitting everything they threw up there, it seemed like, any time it was just a very good offensive club."

"We need to be more consistent on offense, and execute

better these next couple of games. And on defense, we need to improve just a little. We're not bad off in that department."

The Devils played Tuesday's game with only seven players. Three team members missed the bus to Sparta. In addition, James Buckles has quit the team for personal reasons.

"It was a little hard making substitutions," Harris said. "Hopefully, we can have everyone make the trip this time. But, hey, you go with the players you've got at the time, and do the best you can."

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## FAMILY

## Phi Delta Kappa president chosen for award panel

Dr. Goni Michaeloff, president of the Phi Delta Kappa Gateway East Chapter 1097, was appointed to the five-member newsletter contest award selection committee by Phi Delta Kappa International President Douglas Bedient. The committee met at Phi Delta Kappa International headquarters in Bloomington, Ind., during the last week of August.

Phi Delta Kappa is an international, professional education fraternity that promotes quality education, with particular emphasis on publicly supported education, as essential to the development and maintenance of a democratic way of life.

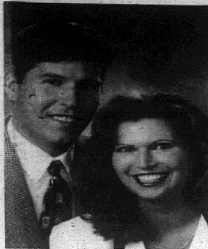
Out of 155 entries submitted by chapters throughout the world, the committee chose 20 winners of Awards of Excellence, 37 Awards of Merit and 29 Special Citations. A book with samples of the top 20 chapter newsletters is available from Phi Delta Kappa International headquarters.

The criteria used by the committee included appearance, readability, content, layout and design, as well as amount and quality of chapter news.

Each committee member read each newsletter, rating each numerically against the criteria. Ratings were tallied and ranked. The committee members then compared their rankings and reached a consensus.

Awards were announced at the Phi Delta Kappa Biennial Convention, held in Detroit during the last week of October.

Phi Delta Kappa chapter newsletters provide a vital communication link between chapter officers and members. They announce meetings and events, report research studies and projects and motivate members to become or remain involved in chapter activities.



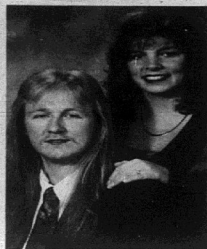
Cynthia Coakley and Stephan Vargo  
**Coakley-Vargo**

Cynthia Ann Coakley, daughter of David and Joanne Coakley of Granite City, and Stephan Alvie Vargo, son of Eugene and Joan Vargo of St. Peters, Mo., have announced their engagement.

Coakley, of Granite City, is a graduate of Granite City High School and employed with the Missouri Athletic Club in St. Louis and the director of special events.

Vargo, a graduate of McCluer High School, the University of Missouri at Columbia and the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana with a master's degree, is employed with the Rockwood School District in St. Louis County as a teacher.

A June 22 wedding at West 22nd Street Baptist Church in Granite City is being planned.



Teri Robinson and Jason Beaver  
**Robinson-Beaver**

Teri L. Robinson, daughter of Diane Schmied of Granite City and the late Robert L. Robinson, and Jason L. Beaver, son of Lynn and Gail Beaver of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Robinson, of Granite City, is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1989 graduate of Sanford Brown Business College. She is employed with St. Louis Urological Surgeons Inc. in St. Louis as a medical secretary.

Beaver, a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School, is employed with Kraft General Foods Capri Sun Plant in Granite City as a machine operator.

An April 13 wedding at St. John's United Church of Christ in Granite City is being planned.



David and Rene Jones  
**Jones-Mayberry**

Rene Lynn Mayberry of Florissant, Mo., and David Alan Jones of Granite City were married Nov. 11, 1995, at Second Baptist Church in Granite City. A reception followed at the Granite City Township Hall.

The bride, daughter of Gerald Mayberry of Granite City and the late Shirley Mayberry, chose Dana Stauder of St. Charles, Mo., as her matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Char Bennington of Chicago, Lisa Shepard of Winter Park, Fla., cousin of the bride, and Karla Jones of Granite City, daughter of the groom. The flower girl was Kristy Jones of Granite City, daughter of the groom.

The groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones of Chamblee, Ga., chose David Keel of Granite City as his best man. The groomsmen were Tom and Greg Jones, both of Chamblee, brothers of the groom. The ushers were Michael and Dennis Turk, both of Granite City, cousins of the bride.

The wedding ceremony was officiated by the Rev. John Gambelin of Grace Baptist Church in Granite City. Music was provided by Elegant Ensembles of St. Louis. The flowers were provided by Julia Betty's of Granite City.

A civil ceremony took place for the couple aboard the SS Norway Cruise Ship at the port of Miami, prior to sailing for seven days on their honeymoon.

The couple will reside in Granite City.

## Birth

Christian Dahncke  
Marc J. and Tiffany D. Dahncke of Glen Carbon have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Christian James Dahncke was born at 4:36 a.m. Nov. 25, 1995, at Christian Northwest Hospital in St. Louis and weighed 7 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are James and Peggy Pryor of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Maurice and Marietta Dahncke of Nashville, Ill.



Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hall  
**Hall-50 Years**

Gilbert and Jean Hall of Granite City recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Marriott Hotel in Ocala, Fla. They were married Dec. 22, 1945, at the Madison Presbyterian Church.

The reception and dinner were hosted by Helen Hall, the couple's daughter, and Helen Bradley, sister of Jean Hall.

Guests included Maxine Tawney of Madison, Mr. and Mrs. Earl French and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Oster of Ocala, formerly of Granite City.

## Organizations

**St. Clair Salon 148**  
Thirty-two partners of St. Clair Salon 148 attended the annual Christmas party at Fischer's Restaurant in Belleville.

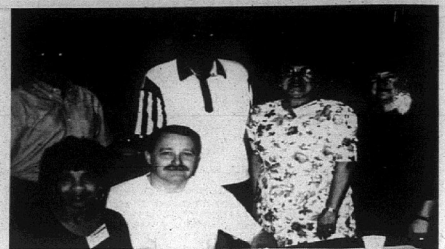
Guests attending were departmental chapeau Jackie Bouchat, Irene Frater and Judy Zimmerman of Madison County Salon 53. Zimmerman is the departmental premiere of departmental.

Christmas party chairman Amanda Markelich of Fairmont City and Co-chairman Marilyn Cox planned an evening of fun and fellowship. Partners exchanged Christmas gifts. A banquet was served. Attendance prizes were given.

**District 9 Retired Personnel**  
The Granite City School District 9 Retired Office Personnel held its January meeting at Honeybee Inn in Edwardsville.

Those attending were Dorothy Luckert, Frieda Andrews, Marcella Plischer, Millie Chandler, Harriet Mercer, Dorothy Lerner, Barbara Larner, Dee Yates, Marge Burdge and Lucille Caban.

The hostess for February will be Barbara Larner, who is making reservations at Benjamin's in Godfrey.



The five-member Phi Delta Kappa International newsletter contest award selection committee taking a break from their reading, pose with Lowell Rose, executive director of Phi Delta Kappa International. Shown are, from left, seated, Virginia Stackens of Jackson, Tenn., and Greg Gibbs of Hamburg, N.Y.; standing, Ray Newton of Flagstaff, Ariz., Rose of Bloomington, Ind., Goni Michaeloff of Granite City and Sheila Tripp of West Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

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## Births

**Maue**  
Matt and Laurie Maue of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Ryan Edward Maue was born at 9:30 p.m. Dec. 29, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces.

The mother is the former Laurie Hicks. Maternal grandparents are Larry and Evon Hicks of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Marylou Maue of Granite City and the late James Maue.

Ryan joins Megan Nicole, 1.

**Gregory**  
Katherine Gregory of Granite City has announced the birth of her first child, a daughter.

Tyler Renee Gregory was

born at 3:56 a.m. Dec. 29, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

Her grandparents are Bill and Debbie Gregory and Pam A. and Jerry Jones, all of Granite City.

**Bucks**  
Joseph L. and Roberta J. Bucks of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Emily Kaye Bucks was born Dec. 31, 1995, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and weighed 8 pounds. She was 19½ inches long.

The mother is the former Robert Jean Harshaw. Maternal grandparents are Robert D. Harshaw of St. Louis and Emma Jean Heisey of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Bucks Sr. of Granite City.



Kimberly Antonovich and Donald Merz

## Antonovich-Merz

Kimberly S. Antonovich, daughter of Michael Antonovich Sr. and Carolyn D. Antonovich of Granite City, and Donald E. Merz, son of Phillip A. Merz and Shirley J. Merz of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Antonovich is a 1996 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1992 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. She holds a bachelor of science degree in elementary education and is currently working on her master's degree in educational administration and supervision at SIUE. She is employed as a fifth grade teacher in the Granite City School District.

Merz is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1993 graduate of St. Louis Community College. He holds an associate degree in mechanical engineering and is currently completing a bachelor of science degree in industrial technology at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He is employed with Magnitek Electric at the Advanced Development Center in St. Louis.

A March 18 wedding at Maryville Assembly of God in Maryville is being planned.



Brett and Renee Barron

## Barron-Biggs

Renee D. Biggs and Brett A. Barron were married Dec. 16, 1995, at First Church of the Nazarene in Granite City by the Rev. Mel Sorensen.

The bride is the daughter of William T. and Cheryl L. Biggs of Granite City. A 1993 graduate of Granite City High School and a December 1996 graduate of Bellevue Area College, she is employed in social work with KinderCare in Kankakee.

The groom is the son of Terry D. and Marcia E. Barron of Granite City. A 1993 graduate of Granite City High School, he is currently majoring in premedicine at Olivet Nazarene University, where he serves as a student adviser.

Amy Springs was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Laurie Barron, sister of the groom, and Courtney Kendall. The junior bridesmaid was Megan Biggs, sister of the bride.

Gabe Mitchell was the best man. The groomsmen were Steve Rains and Terry Biggs, brother of the bride. The junior groomsmen were Aaron Stovall, cousin of the groom, and the flower girl was Megan Stovall, cousin of the groom.

The ushers were Scott Kendall and Bob Frankenhauser. Asa Chung and Pete Baker were the candlelighters.

Andrea Stovall, cousin of the groom, was in charge of the guest book.

The organist was Delores Barker, the pianists were Graig Woodiel and Pam Embick, the flutist was Andrea Stovall and the soloists were Leslie Stovall and Greg Embick.

A reception was held at the Granite City Township Hall. Following a honeymoon in the Lake of the Ozarks, the couple moved to Bourbonnais, Ill.



Brian and Kerry Bjorkman

## Bjorkman-Overall

Kerry Lynn Overall and Brian James Bjorkman were married June 10, 1995, at St. Michael's-St. George Episcopal Church by the Rev. Henry Schmidt of Springfield, Ill., and the Rev. Steven Lawler.

The bride, daughter of William and JoAnn Overall of Warren Woods, Mo., is a 1993 graduate of Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, with a bachelor of science degree in education. She is employed with Carmelite Early Childhood Center in Kirkwood, Mo., as an early childhood teacher.

The groom, son of Pamela Bjorkman of Granite City, is a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1993 graduate of Drake University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration and a degree in finance. He is employed with Boatman's Bank in St. Louis as a corporate banking representative.

Lucy Karskrah of Kirkwood was the matron of honor. The bridesmaids were Jane Corbett Livingston, Elizabeth Carson, Michele McCone, Brooke Bjorkman, sister of the groom, Sarah Husted, Elizabeth Amantangelo and Pamela Abercrombie.

Brett E. Bjorkman Jr. of Johnston Island, South Pacific, brother of the groom, was the best man. The groomsmen were Scott Strack, James Robinson, Patrick Ryan, Matt Overall, brother of the bride, Ted Overall, brother of the bride, Jay Montgomery, James Hawkins and Vince Hassel.

The flower girls were Lauren Schultz, Anne Basler and Katherine Anderson. The bridesmaids were Stacey Kirkbride of Chicago.

A reception was held at the Missouri Athletic Club. Following a honeymoon at St. Maartens, the couple moved to Kirkwood.



Kimberly Duckworth and Vincent Winkler

## Duckworth-Winkler

Kimberly Ann Duckworth, daughter of Nancy Duckworth Wiggs of Troy, formerly of Granite City, and the late Harold Duckworth, and James Vincent Winkler, son of Leola Lin Winkler of Smithville, Mo., and Richard Vincent Winkler of Port Orange, Fla., have announced their engagement.

Duckworth, a graduate of Bellevue Area College, is employed with Girl Scouts USA.

Winkler, a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, is employed with the Boy Scouts of America.

A June 22 wedding at First Presbyterian Church in Edwardsville is being planned.

## Collins-Johannigmeier

Elizabeth Anne Johannigmeier and Barry Scott Collins were married Jan. 6, 1996, at Concord United Methodist Church.

The bride is the daughter of Margaret Johannigmeier of Knoxville, Tenn., and the late Charles Johannigmeier Jr. and the granddaughter of Leola Cameron of Granite City and the late Kenneth Cameron.

A 1988 graduate of Granite City High School and a 1992 graduate of Western Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in business finance, she currently is an insurance agent with AFLAC.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Halcomb, all of Knoxville, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Collins and the late Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stallings.

A 1989 graduate of Jefferson County High School, he is currently a grocery manager at Food Lion.



**Happy holidays** — The Granite City Lions Club made Thanksgiving and Christmas happy holidays for a young mother and her children. Shown are, from left, president Tiny Turcott, Ms. Cervantes, her six children and Cervante's aunt.

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## Trivia

## Whiners, complainers abound in football

By Kevin Carberry  
Staff writer

Why is it that no sports team gets respect anymore? I mean, according to the players and coaches.

It seems that every team in America that makes it to a championship game in any sport starts winning that nobody thought we could get here, and claims to have made it to their title contests.

It's all garbage, of course. Who cares what predictions were made beforehand or what the betting line is for a game? It still has to be played, so just get out there and do your job.

There has been an interesting twist on this "us against the world" philosophy with the Dallas Cowboys making it to the Super Bowl once again. They aren't saying they haven't gotten respect. However, they've been complaining that no one likes them.

Maybe they're right. I mean, other than their regular fans, who would want to root for that arrogant, money-grubbing squad? They have one of the worst glory-seeking owners in sports, the biggest hot dog in sports and a number of other showboat-style players.

I have little hope that the Steelers will upset the Cowboys, but I'll be pulling for Pittsburgh. If they win, I'm hoping it will mean a reduction in the number of Jerry Jones-Delon Sanders television commercials we have to watch.

When I was a kid, I actually kind of liked Dallas. I rooted for the football Cardinals first, but I'd support the Cowboys of Bob Lilly and the Doodman Defense against other teams.

Once the Cowboys started calling themselves "America's Team," though, I got sick of them in a big hurry.

So, let's all hope for a good game at the Super Bowl and I'll be rooting for Pittsburgh to squeeze out a victory. In honor of the big game, this week's trivia is on National Football League championships. Keep in mind they were competing for league titles long before the Super Bowl came around.

1. What was the largest margin of victory for a team in an NFL championship game?

2. Which team won the first NFL championship, in 1957?

3. What was the nickname of the first Chicago team to win an NFL championship?

4. Who was head coach of that squad?

5. How many league championships have the Chicago-St. Louis-Arizona Cardinals won?

6. The Rams first won the NFL championship representing which city?

7. Who was the first coach to lead a Green Bay team to the NFL championship?

8. How many NFL championships did Vince Lombardi win with Green Bay?

9. What was the only year the Los Angeles Rams won the NFL title?

10. Who coached Detroit to its first NFL championship?

ANSWERS: 1. The Chicago Bears beat the Cleveland Browns 46-10 in 1935. 2. The Green Bay Packers won the first NFL championship in 1957. 3. The Chicago Bears. 4. George Halas. 5. Two, in 1957 and 1958. 6. Cleveland. 7. Curly Lambeau. 8. Vince Lombardi. 9. 1950. 10. The Washington Redskins.

## A successful adaptation of timeless 'Richard III'

## Film review

In the past few decades, theater audiences have been offered everything from sci-fi "Hamlet," to "Othello" with a jazz score. There has been a gangland "Macbeth," and a minimalist "Midsummer Night's Dream" with a stark white stage, trapezes and topless fairies.

Movie versions of Shakespeare's plays have tended to stick closer to the periods in which they were set: Mel Gibson's version of "Hamlet" and director Kenneth Branagh's "Henry V" spring to mind.

Taking Shakespeare's work away from its original context can invite charges of pretentiousness. Sometimes though, a little creativity with the bard can really work.

That's certainly the case with Sir Ian McKellen and Richard Loncraine who have successfully adapted "Richard III," Shakespeare's timeless tale of power, intrigue and seduction, to 1930s Britain and the uneasy period between world wars when fascist leaders were on the march.

The MGM-UA release, featuring Annette Bening and Robert Downey Jr., stars McKellen as Richard, the profoundly evil and Machiavellian Duke of Gloucester who will do anything to overthrow his brother the king and seize the throne for himself.

McKellen's Richard is a pencil-mustached master of disinformation and murder, loosely modeled on various 1930s fascist leaders especially Britain's Sir Oswald Mosley, whose brown-shirted thugs terrorized London's East End.

While director Loncraine sticks firmly to Shakespeare's original lines, he goes to town with the visuals, making great use of interior decor and period costuming. Richard's

coronation, for instance, is done in grand fascist style with neo-Nazi flags and an auditorium of uniformed followers. Other scenes are set in the Regency Palace with its glittering chandeliers and pink and turquoise palm fronds.

When the movie opens, an old-fashioned teletype machine is clanking out information for a worried man who sits waiting in his large country house. A military vehicle suddenly crashes through a wall into the room and a man

swears that a man gets out and shoots his victim dead. In removes the mask and we see it is Richard.

After several more minutes of elegant scene-setting, including a party at the Royal Palace, Richard finally speaks. Addressing the audience, Richard lets us in on his plans to seize power with the monologue famous for its starting line: "Now is the winter of our discontent."

Next on the list is the seduction of Lady Anne, the wealthy widow of the Prince of Wales. The successful seduction is undertaken in the morgue while she is identifying the body of her husband, who was killed by Richard.

The gloating Richard obsessively expands his power base with much false piety and unctuous politicking. His

monstrous deeds extend to having the King's sons and the rightful heirs sent to the Tower of London and then suffocated in their beds.

To secure his grip, Richard then makes a play to marry his teen-age niece despite the opposition of her mother, the queen.

But Richard's crimes do not go unpunished. And in a climactic final scene at the Battle of Bosworth he is defeated and killed by Henry, Duke of Richmond.

Unlike the celebrated 1955 movie starring Sir Laurence Olivier as Richard, Loncraine's treatment is less overly melodramatic with no menacing background music or lengthening shadows of the villain.

The dangers of overdoing it with "Richard III" are well known. Indeed, the British comedy group "Monty Python" once featured a skit about a "Hospital for Overacting." The sketch

includes an entire Richard III Ward full of bad actors playing the hunched Richard in appallingly exaggerated voices and gestures.

But McKellen is subtle and elegant with this easily parodied character. His reading of the desperate battle line "A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!" manages to be surprisingly subdued without losing an ounce of Richard's malevolence.

But the movie comes up short with weak, understated battle scenes that fail to effectively use the grand medium of film.

McKellen's excellent performance is backed up by a superb supporting cast including Bening, Dame Maggie Smith, Nigel Hawthorne and Kristin Scott Thomas as the easily swayed Lady Anne.

In contrast, Downey seems out of place as Rivers, the queen's brother, even though his murder is one of the movie's most dramatic moments. Engaged in a sex act with a prostitute or servant girl, Rivers is dispatched by a knife thrust upwards through the bed into his body.

Despite its R rating, the movie contains no gratuitous violence. And the 1930s setting provides visual treats without damaging Shakespeare's original intent.

—Associated Press

## Horoscope

Thursday, Jan. 18

In its retrograde motion, Mercury trips into Capricorn, the sign of order, regulations and traditional thinking. Contact relatives you haven't spoken to in a long while, along with former employers and companions you went to school with. Writers, editors and accountants discover job openings at prestigious institutions. Those who don't agree with you find your arguments persuasive and may change their minds.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Look beyond immediate circumstances, and make choices more appropriate for the future. Ideas appeal to the mass market. A romantic liaison is irresistible and actually has great potential.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Cooperate in a procedure that deals with a new type of business. A mild flirtation isn't worth the risk. An elusive goal is close. Spend time bonding with a child. Get proper documents, and do everything by the book.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20). You are in a transitional phase. It's out with the old and in with the new. Show willpower and others will back you more than in the past. Public adulation comes from actions you do for your own benefit.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 21). Be precise about what you want or others may get confusing messages. Pay attention to a current partner who may be straying. Luck comes when you confront a personal dilemma — seek out a professional.

**LEO** (July 22-Aug. 22). Power brokers now need you. Information you hold has more value than you think. Family members try to talk you out of a move or career choice — be firm. Career boosts come from people you meet at gatherings.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (January 18). Renewed health, emotional release and satisfaction emanate from close family members. You have luck completing a speculative project next August. But first, in February, you find sources of funding for your career, home-improvement projects or real estate. By April, an estrangement ends. Leadership comes from efforts made in June. Windfalls come in July and August. Enjoy new love with a Taurus or Gemini.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You feel better because of new love or commitments. Take on responsibilities — as the more you do, the more effective you are. An elusive offer or proposal comes. Seek out more variety in your social life.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The writing is on the wall, so make plans in case a major client or financial benefactor loses interest. Power and luck are connected with new people. Rummage through your memories, and find out why a relative is so angry.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Others want to treat you well, so accept generosity. A modest financial venture soon turns into a huge bonanza. Check expenditures — a relative is overspending. Luck goes to the unattached through matchmakers.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Keep your perspective, hold your temper, and back off from confrontations. Diversify your social circle. Avoid depending on just one person for your self-esteem. You have luck with inventions and selling artistry.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Stretch beyond the comfort level, and embrace new experiences. Make phone calls to get your social life rolling. Consider a mini-vacation. A romantic problem is festering — bring it out into the open. Seek out an Aries.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Others want to promote you, but need encouragement and some future rewards. Be secretive about a romance or a current love's ex may return. Higher-ups offer you new assignments.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). The more you focus, the quicker others will accede to your wishes. Breakups are only temporary, so back up and wait. Talented friends help you get to advice.

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Harrison FORD  
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FRIDAY 7:00, 9:30 SAT/SUN MAY 2:00  
MON - THURS 7:00 ONLY

Now FREE BEZILL on Popcorn & Soft Drinks!

**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
2606 Washington Ave. • Granite City

**Pancake & Sausage Breakfast**  
Sunday, January 21st  
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Adults - \$3.50  
Children 6 - 12 - \$2.00  
Under 6 - FREE

PUBLIC WELCOME • CARRYOUTS AVAILABLE

**Petite 4**  
170 & 157 South 344-1708

**DUSK 'N' DAWN**  
SAT, SUN MATS 100-200 NIGHTLY 7:00, 9:30

**THE TOYS WANT YOU**  
SAT, SUN MATS 1:30, 3:40 NIGHTLY 7:00, 9:30

**GRUMPER OLD MEN**  
THURS 7:00-9:30 PM SAT, SUN 1:30-3:40 PM NIGHTLY 7:00, 9:30

**DR. L.A. SHIPLEY**  
IS HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE AN  
**OPEN HOUSE**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23**  
7:00 - 8:00 PM  
BACK CLASS  
8:00 - 9:00 PM

Our 19th Year

"WE INVITE OUR PATIENTS AND FRIENDS TO STOP BY AND HAVE CAKE."  
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**KEEPSAKE COUNTRY SHOWS**  
**CRAFT SHOW**  
St. Clair Square  
January 19, 20, & 21, 1996  
1-64 at Rt. 159 - Take Exit 12  
Fri. & Sat. 10 am - 9:30 pm • Sun. Noon - 6 pm

Register To Win An Original Oil Painting Valued At \$200  
Get A Free \$5.00 Craft Show Gift Certificate!  
Details at St. Clair Square's Customer Service Center  
Featuring Live KIX 106 Sat. 1-3 pm

Win up to \$100,000 w/ Radio Lotto  
Free Admission  
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**SUPER BOWL PARTY**  
SUNDAY, JAN. 28  
\$1 BUSCH • BUD  
MILLER LITE  
BUD LIGHT  
COMPLIMENTARY CHILI  
BIG SCREEN TV

**Sunday Special**  
Chicken Basket  
only  
**\$1.99**  
15¢ SHRIMP ON WEDNESDAY

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## HOURS:

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday  
Closed  
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Hours: Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm • Closed Saturday &amp; Sunday

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## HOW TO...

## PLACE AN AD

There are four easy ways to place your ad.  
**BRING IT:** 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL 62040.  
**MAIL IT:** Send your ads directly to our Classified Fax Center at (618) 876-4240. We'll call you back for confirmation.  
**PHONE IT:** Call 877-7700 or dial 876-2000. Phone lines are open from 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
**FAX IT:** Send your ads directly to our Classified Fax Center at (618) 876-4240. We'll call you back for confirmation.  
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**PAY FOR AN AD**  
You will be billed immediately following last run day. You may pay in person, through the mail, or over the phone or fax. We accept cash, checks and credit cards (MC/VISA).  
Discover. When paying over the phone, please have your credit card ready. When faxing your ad, just include your credit card number. We'll call you back for confirmation. Please do not send cash through the mail. Some ads require prepayment.

**WRITE AN AD**  
Capture the reader's attention with larger headlines, bold type, and icons. Tell them up front what you're selling or seeking. Describe what is unique about your item, adding details such as color and condition. Write in a clear, concise manner. Make your ad harder to read and therefore less effective. Include your phone number and the hours you are available. The price it will incur as your responses.

**CANCEL AN AD**  
Deadlines for ad cancellations are identical to deadlines for ad placement. You may cancel an ad in person or over the phone. To cancel an ad, phone 877-7700 or 876-2000.

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